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WHITEAWAY'S

Far East Convoys Arrive Safely

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The safe arrival of all convoys in the Far East during the past few months without the loss of a single officer or airmen by enemy action is announced by the Air Ministry.

This is a great tribute to the vigilance and efficiency of the escorting warships and aircraft, which passed on the convoys one to the other throughout the 10,000-mile journey.

The convoys carried many thousands to swell the ranks of the R.A.F. in the Far East. The voyage from a northern port in Britain of one liner and her arrival in Singapore a few days ago with a large number of officers and men was typical of many voyages of this year by other convoys.

It was the second liner to arrive in Singapore during the last fortnight. "We have not had the smell of a U-boat or a Condor (German long-range monoplane)," was the comment of one officer on arrival.

Warship Escorts

"Of course we had warships mothering us the whole time and in some areas of the route we were continuously protected from air attack or lurking submarines by escorting Blenheims, Hudsons or Sunderlands.

"In fact, the journey was so peaceful and comfortable that we might have been travelling in pre-war days, for although the voyage was long and rather tedious, especially in the Tropics, it was a comfortable passage and entirely without incident."

Additional Personnel

These officers and airmen are not replacing others going home at the TURN to Back Page, Column 5

Cataline Planes In Far East

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—American-built Catalines which have been arriving across the Pacific from the United States in a steady stream in the past few months "cover the waterfront" from the Arabian Sea to well south of the equator and from the China seas nearly to Africa, says the Air Ministry news service.

Operating from bases in Malaya and Ceylon they have already since their arrival in the Far East flown on patrol a distance equal to about six times round the world.

Their task is to keep constant watch for raiders and submarines and the deterrent effect of their presence is shown by the decline in enemy activity in this theatre of war. They are also called on to act as long range bombers and to undertake routine patrols in anti-submarine reconnaissance. One machine patrolled the Indian ocean 10½ hours before returning to its base.

Funeral of Bdr. D. E. Smith

The funeral took place yesterday with military honours of Bdr. D. E. Smith of the Hongkong Volunteers who was killed when a searchlight lorry, returning from manoeuvres at Cape d'Aguilar overturned on a steep hillside. This photograph was taken at the graveside.—Ming Yuen.



REDS COUNTER-ATTACK: CITY "N" RECAPTURED & NAZI FORCES ROUTED

Special to the "Telegraph"

MOSCOW, AUG. 13 (UP).—THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT THE RUSSIANS HAVE STARTED A COUNTER-OFFENSIVE ON THE UKRAINE FRONT. ACCORDING TO A MESSAGE FROM THE FRONT, THE RUSSIANS "COUNTER-ATTACKED LOCALLY AND RECAPTURED A CITY WITH THE INITIAL "N". FOLLOWING ARTILLERY PREPARATIONS, RED TANK UNITS ATTACKED THE CITY FROM THREE SIDES, DESTROYED TWO INFANTRY DIVISIONS AND TWO BATTALIONS OF FIELD ARTILLERY, AND TOOK CONSIDERABLE BOOTY, AT THE SAME TIME COMPELLING THE ENEMY TO RETREAT."

ASSURANCES TO TURKEY

Allies Blast Nazi Hopes

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Britain and Russia have promised full aid to Turkey if she is attacked by a European power, writes "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent. This latest dramatic turn in the international situation was made known on Tuesday night with an announcement that declarations in identical terms had been presented by both countries to the Turkish Foreign Office.

The declarations make it clear that both Britain and Russia intend to remain faithful to the Montreux Convention and have no aggressive intentions or claims regarding the Straits.

At various periods during this war, Turkey has been subjected to some pressure by other nations, which, if it had succeeded, would have cut across her understandings with Britain.

Turkish Loyalty

At every juncture, however, Turkey has re-affirmed her loyalty to all her obligations to Britain and her allies, and even when she signed the trade agreement with Germany some months ago she made clear that it had no effect upon her treaty with Britain.

Many attempts have been made in Germany and Italian propaganda drives to separate Turkey from Britain but none have succeeded in providing the desired wedge.

"Turkey is our friend and ally. The Turkish Government have kept us fully informed of the progress of recent negotiations with the German Government," declared Mr. Anthony Eden in Parliament last June, and it was only last week again in the House of Commons that Mr. Eden re-TURN to Back Page, Column 4

He says that foreign observers believe that as soon as Japan feels that she is prepared for any counter-attacks, Japanese troops will enter Thailand.

Truculent Spokesman

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—A most truculent statement was made by a Japanese naval spokesman today. He said that this was not the time to fuss over whether Japan should enter the war; the present was only the calm before the storm.

"There is a limit to our patience," he said, "and when that is reached there will be an explosion. Hostile nations who underestimate Japan's strength are inviting unpleasant surprises."

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The King has sent a message of sympathy to Lady Willingdon.

MATSUOKA'S NEW JOB

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, former Japanese Foreign Minister, has been appointed Japan's new envoy to French Indo-China, according to an unconfirmed Rome Radio report.

LATEST

TWO HOUR RAID ON BERLIN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced today that very heavy British bombers, comprising Wellingtons, Manchesteres, Stirlings and Halifaxes, raided Berlin for two hours last night where they encountered one of the worst barrages ever previously faced.

Hundreds of searchlights in massed groups of 30 to 40 followed the bombers through the sky.

A Berlin message says that final reports show that 60 British planes were shot down during the 24 hours ending 7 a.m. today including 20 bombers, of which several were the four-motored types. No German losses were reported.

Southern Italy Attacked

CAIRO, Aug. 13 (UP).—R.A.F. bombers successfully attacked the chemical works at Acrotonne, southern Italy, on August 11. Many direct hits greatly damaged the storage tanks and all objectives were a flaming mass when the aircraft departed. Military buildings at Carini were also demolished.

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RUSSO-NAZI WAR FRONT SUMMARY

Threat To South

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—A military commentary by "Annalist" states that "no material change has taken place in Russia's far-flung battle front, but the situation in the Ukraine has admittedly deteriorated in the south. On all other sectors the grim struggle is continuing without any marked advantage for either side."

"The only other progress claimed by the Germans is to the north of Lake Peipus where unconfirmed reports allege that they have reached the Baltic Sea, thus cutting off communications with Tallinn."

"If true, this would mean that an important pocket of resistance was in being on the left flank and would constitute a threat to their communications."

Tallinn And Hangö

"Tallinn itself is well defended and the Gulf of Kronstadt gives the Russians complete command of those narrow waters. If Tallinn fell the position of Hangö would also be seriously compromised."

"There has been no change around Murmansk in the north, or Kiev in the south, but the German drive to cut off Odessa and Nicolae is making headway."

It is improbable, however, that the Germans have switched their main offensive in this direction. It is thought that they might be trying to curb Russian reinforcements in this direction while they renew their real offensive against Moscow.

Black Sea Control

"The Russians have probably not very large numbers of troops in this region because while they hold control of the Black Sea there would seem to be little likely prospect of the Germans pushing their advance too far east."

"Odessa is believed to be well fortified, especially from the sea and the Russian Fleet is in supreme control of the Black Sea."

"To sum up, the threat to Odessa seems closer to-day, but it should be realised that the German objectives were not Odessa but Moscow, Leningrad and Kiev."

Strikes In U. S. Increase

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Expressing concern at last week's increase of strikes at plants holding Army contracts, War Department officials said that 30 strikes were reported up to Tuesday, involving 23,400 men compared with 14,000 a week ago.

From Moscow comes a report that a large Red army detachment which was encircled by the Germans in the early days of the war have battled for 32 days and have broken through on a wide front where they rejoined the Soviet troops.

A dispatch from the front stated that barefooted men who were encircled, routed and killed 3,000 Germans and seized 300 munition trucks and motor cycles.

The Red detachment which the Germans had designated "a wild Bolshevik division" had carried out numerous raids in the German rear, wrecked supply lines and seized prisoners.

Two Divisions Routed
Another Moscow report declares that it is officially reported that one S.S. (Black) division was routed and that the 68th Nazi Infantry division was annihilated in recent fighting.

Red troops attacked frontally and on both flanks of the Germans who occupied a raid junction and pushed back the S.S. division after many days of battle, destroying two battalions.

Two days later the Nazis brought up reinforcements and the 68th division tried to outflank the Russians. The latter counter-attacked and in the course of three days killed or wounded 7,500 Germans, captured 15 tanks, 27 cannon and much other material.

Estonia Fighting
According to a Helsinki report, 100,000 Russians are now fighting in ESTONIA. TURN to Back Page, Column 7

Important Statement By Mr Attlee

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Clement Attlee, Lord Privy Seal and Deputy Prime Minister, will broadcast through all stations of the British Broadcasting Corporation an important announcement on behalf of the Government at 2 p.m. G.M.T. tomorrow.

Harrison Forman Interviews G.O.C.

U.S. Warplanes May Defend Hongkong

Mr Harrison Forman, prominent N.B.C. commentator gave another broadcast to the United States from ZBW this morning, when he described an interview he had had with the G.O.C., Major-General C. M. Maltby, who spoke confidently of the Colony's defences. Mr Forman also referred to American warplanes which are "mysteriously disappearing up country," and hazarded the opinion that should Japan attack Hongkong, she might discover squadrons of these planes suddenly appearing at their backs from "somewhere in Free China."

The text of Mr Forman's broadcast follows:

Hello, NBC. This is Harrison Forman, speaking from Hongkong, China, on the opposite side of the globe from most of you in America. It's exactly ten minutes to nine in the morning here—Thursday morning.

Yesterday I called upon the newly-arrived General Officer Commanding

U. S. To Establish Main Atlantic Naval Base

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Senate Appropriations Committee today approved plans to make Kieques, Puerto Rico, the main Atlantic naval base, "comparable to Pearl Harbour," by allocating \$21,970,000 for the work. Captain E. G. Allen, urging approval of the item declared, "We have never had a proper fleet base in the Caribbean. In the first place, there was no suitable area in the Caribbean that has enough water in it to place the whole United States fleet, except that of an anchorage."

The Committee also approved \$15,000,000 for a "protective fleet anchorage" at Trinidad—one of the bays leased from Britain.

MENZIES' PLACE DURING CRISIS

SYDNEY, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—It is essential for Australia to have permanent representation in the London Cabinet because her future, as never before, depends on Imperial policy and strategy, said Sir Earle Page, Minister of Commerce, in a statement today. He added that the disposition of Empire forces is of supreme importance to her security.

Australia's voice in London must be authoritative but at the same time the Government must be carried on in Australia. Proposals which Mr R. G. Menzies, the Prime Minister, is submitting to Parliament will remove doubts on that score.

Mr Menzies is the best man to represent Australia. Much depends on Australia showing a bold united front when Parliament meets. The psychological effect of a demonstration of national solidarity would be immense, he concluded.

Opposition

SYDNEY, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—While the Labour Opposition leader, Mr John Curtin, has not yet committed himself on the proposal that the Prime Minister, Mr R. G. Menzies, should go to London for war consultation, his Deputy Leader Mr Forde, and the former Federal High Court Justice Dr H. W. Evatt and Mr J. A. Bessley, who comprise the Labour representation on the Federal War Council, announce their opposition to Mr Menzies' departure for London.

Their opposition is based on the ground that Mr Menzies' place is in Australia at this critical time. Several New South Wales members of the Federal Parliament also oppose the proposal.

Cabinet Business
MELBOURNE, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Australian War Cabinet today considered matters of high policy in consultation with the service chiefs. They also further discussed the Far Eastern situation and later reviewed soldiers' pay.

Mr P. C. Spender, Minister for War, announced that allotments to dependents of missing soldiers would be payable for six months after soldiers are reported missing. Much time will be required on the procedure to be followed by the Cabinet request that Mr Menzies should proceed to London and be expected that it will be further considered in a War Council meeting on August 14. It is probable that the resolution will be submitted to both Houses of Parliament tomorrow.

The support of a large majority of the Labour caucus is expected, although interest at the moment is centred on seasonal party meetings.

New Lend And Lease Bill

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—Well informed circles said today that a new Lend and Lease bill of about six billion dollars would be submitted to Congress shortly after President Roosevelt returns to the White House.

It is understood that a substantial part will be allocated for the purchase of food supplies and the remainder, mostly for heavy and medium bombers, ammunition and artillery.

U.S. RELATIONS WITH VICHY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Secretary of State, Mr Cordell Hull at the press conference today asserted that he is awaiting a dispatch from the American Ambassador, Admiral Leahy, fully analysing the new Vichy moves before he issues a statement regarding future Franco-American relations.

Meanwhile, he declined to discuss the outlook; however, it is understood that the United States is nevertheless ready to proceed with appropriate action if it becomes established that full collaboration exists as an axis between the French Colonies in Africa.

In response to press questions regarding the German rumours alleging that the United States is contemplating the seizure of Martinique, Mr Hull said that he had heard nothing on that subject in Washington except the current German rumours.

Lord Willingdon

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Lord Willingdon's funeral will be held privately on Friday when the body will be cremated. A memorial service will be held, probably at Westminster Abbey, next week.

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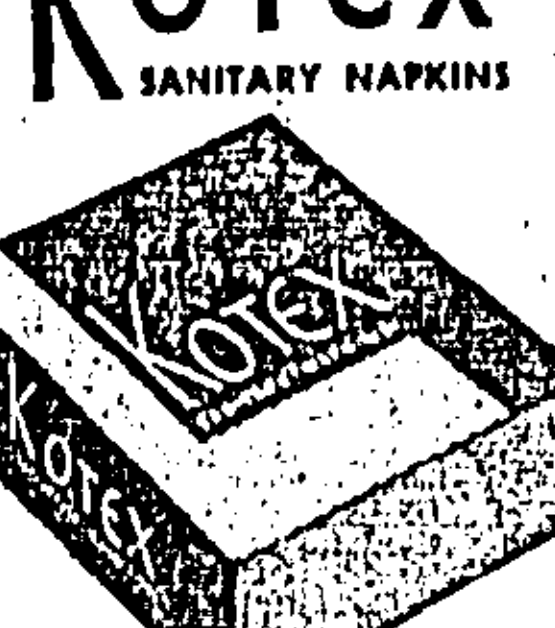
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ORDINANCE NO. 12 OF 1939.

A. REGISTRATION OF BRITISH SUBJECTS

1. All British subjects (male and female) other than persons of Chinese race and members of His Majesty's regular Naval, Military, and Air Force and the Hong Kong Police Force shall within two weeks of arrival in the Colony make a return in the approved form and shall deliver the return to the Police Registration of Persons Office, 4th floor, Chung Tin Building. British subjects (excluding the exempted classes already mentioned) who change their residential or business address or who are about to leave the Colony shall report the fact to the Police Registration of Persons Office within one week before any such change of address or intended departure. IN THE CASE OF PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS (INCLUDING YOUNG CHILDREN) THE RETURN SHALL BE MADE AND SIGNED BY THE PERSONS PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

B. REGISTRATION OF ALIENS

1. All aliens, other than those of Chinese race or those exempted by section 2 (5) of the Ordinance, who arrive in the Colony or who change their residential or business address or who are about to leave the Colony, shall report the fact in person or in writing for registration at the Registration Office (address above) within 48 hours after every such arrival or within one week before every such change of address or intended departure as the case may be.

C. WARNING

IT SHOULD BE PARTICULARLY NOTED THAT EVERYONE, EXCEPT THOSE EXEMPTED ABOVE, MUST REGISTER EITHER AS BRITISH SUBJECTS OR AS ALIENS. PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT ALREADY REGISTERED AS BRITISH SUBJECTS OR AS ALIENS ARE REQUESTED TO DO SO WITHOUT DELAY.

J. P. PENNEFATHER-EVANS,
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By Order of the Board of Directors.
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hong Kong, 11th August, 1941.

NOTICE

The Offices of the Consulat de France will be closed to the general public to-morrow, Friday, 15th August, being the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady.

The Sino-British Cultural Association is giving a farewell luncheon to its Past Honorary President, His Excellency Sir Geoffrey Northcote, and Lady Northcote, on Saturday, August 30, at 1 p.m. at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

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CHINESE CARRY ON—In the four years of war in which Chinese have fought Japan in defence of their homes and nation, new education, better roads, a more productive life through decentralised small industries have grown up. Top panel shows mural on city walls of Kunming, thanking U.S. for medical supplies and other aid. Left, one of 20 cave-rooms in underground hospital blasted from solid rock under Chungking, Chinese capital. Right, some of 300,000 orphans taken from streets and put into Mmo. Chiang Kai-shek orphanages. Bottom, motor caravan taking Red Cross supplies into China over Burma Road. United China Relief campaign in U.S. is to raise \$5,000,000 for China.

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1.55 Joe Lechman and His Orchestra.
2.15 Close Down.
2.0 Indian Programme.
2.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.
2.47 Dance Music.
2.50 Songs from the Films.
2.45 Accordion Solos by George Scott-Wood.
3.0 London Relay—The News.
3.15 London Relay—War Commentary.
3.25 London Relay—Listening Post.
Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.
3.30 Programme Summary.
3.32 Studio-Recital by Leonard Jordan (Baritone) accompanied by E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano.
3.35 (a) Trees (Rachberg); (b) Because (Hindemith); (c) Friend of Mine (Sanderson); 2. (a) The Deathless Army (Trotter); (b) Rose of England (Novello).
3.50 Light Orchestral Interlude.
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4.02 Studio—"To-night We Present."
A Review of new records.
4.45-10.0 News in French (On Short Wave only).
4.45 Concert—Waltzes and Tangos.
Waltzes—Love Is My Life (Strauss); Romanque (Lanner-art).

Indian Prison Officers Parade

After only three months training in military drill 120 Indian Prison Officers gave a fine exhibition of smartness and efficiency when they paraded before Major J. L. Willcocks, Commissioner of Prisons, Major B. T. F. Forrester, Royal Artillery, and Subadar-Major Maghar Singh, H.K.S.R.A., at Stanley Parade Ground yesterday.

The parade was an efficiency test of a new company of volunteers who are being specially trained for a specific part in the Colony's defence scheme. Under the command of Lt. C. J. Norman, Assistant Superintendent of Prisons, the men went through squad and musketry exercises and sentry drill, eventually marching past in three, Major Willcocks taking the salute.

Recently the European Prison Officers, who now comprise the Stanley Platoon of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, went through a similar parade under command of Lt. J. W. Fitz-Gerald, of the Prison Department.

It is announced that the offices of the French Consulate will be closed to the general public to-morrow, August 15, it being the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady.

A.R.P. Orders For Week

A.R.P. Orders by Wing Commander A. H. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions:

Special Order

The Director of Air Raid Precautions regrets to announce the death of Warden 800 Miss Loung Yuen-shan of Eastern Division.

Strength Decrease

The following Wardens have been permitted to resign:
Central—254 S/W to Kwachan, S/W 201 S/W to 204 Miss Chiu Kit-ching, Eastern—238 Wong Chun-mook, D.O/W 151 S/W to 154 Mrs. Yung Yuen Chan-ping, 250 Lo Kwok-hung, 541 S/W, Miss Yung Yuen-kuen, S/W 553 Miss Chan Pik-yuk.
The following Warden has been dismissed from the Corps—Shamshui, 320 Poon Ling-hong.
The following Wardens have been struck off the strength of the Corps:
Shamshui—303 Miss Wong Yuet-in, Upper Levels—D.O/W 651 Yu Yiu-shu and 555 Wong Tung.

Change of Address

Western—1109 Li Man-tsun (C) to 75, Pokfulam Rd. Upper Levels—1055 Fung Wing-chun (C) to 100 Queen's Rd. West, 2nd floor, Eastern—S/W 354 Siu Yee-piu, 350 Miss Siu Po-chow, 836 Li King-to and 370 Ho Chai-yu (C) to 420 Wanchai Rd. 2nd floor, (Telephone No. 3370), Mongkok—D.O/W 184 Wong Ting (S.S. P.) to 183 Tung Choi St. 2nd floor.

Leave of Absence

Tsimshatsui—304 (T) Mrs. E. V. Searle till November 1941.
Eastern—1470 Au Yuen sick leave till October 6, 1941. 2220 Cheng Chuk-hing till September 17, 1941. 881 Ho Chai-fong till October 7, 1941.
Upper Levels—Deputy Divisional Warden M. Barrada extension of leave till October 3, 1941.

Promotions

The following promotions are notified with effect from August 13, 1941:
Eastern—S/W 171 Li Siat, to be Group Warden (Deputy). D.S/W 2210 Ma Sun-wah and D.S/W 2209 Yeung Po-tsun to be Senior Wardens. To be Deputy Senior Wardens—553 Yee Ju-chung, 2220 Chiu Sik-lun, 350 Miss Chan Yuen-wah, Mongkok/S/W 102 Cheng Chung-yan to be Group Warden. To be Deputy Group Wardens—1711 Chan Sun, 1133 Leung King-hee, (D.S/W). To be Senior Wardens—D.S/Wa. 2504 Cheng Kwok-wah, 1727 Fong Hing, 1718 Choi Wai-hang. To be Deputy Senior Wardens—1708 Mak Kun, 1751 Cheng Yee-wing, 1843 Sze Ching Wan-tung, 340 Fong Pang.

Instructional Courses

A course of lectures for telephonists for candidates attending Warden's Classes in Chinese in Hongkong will be held at the A.R.P. School, Happy Valley, on Saturday, August 16, at 2 p.m. (weather permitting). Members of the public are invited to attend.

Warden's Classes in Chinese.—373 Chinese Public Dispensary, Shaikwan, Mondays and Thursdays at 7.30 p.m. commencing August 13. Lecturer—Mr. Chu Fook, L.A.R.P. 374 Bathurst Girls' School, 37 Jordan Rd, Kowloon, Tuesdays and Saturdays at 7.00 p.m. commencing August 14. Lecturer—Mr. Enoch Cheung, L.A.R.P. 375 Holywood College, Hollywood Rd, Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. commencing August 13. Lecturer—Mr. Enoch Cheung, L.A.R.P. 376 Chinese Y.M.C.A. Bridges St, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8 p.m. commencing August 13. Lecturer—Mr. Enoch Cheung, L.A.R.P.

Practical Demonstration

An incendiary bomb demonstration for candidates attending Warden's Classes in Chinese in Hongkong will be held at the A.R.P. School, Happy Valley, on Saturday, August 16, at 2 p.m. (weather permitting). Members of the public are invited to attend.

Attestation Meetings

Hongkong—The attestation meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 19, Kowloon—The attestation meeting will be held in Kowloon on 20 p.m. August 19, instead of Wednesday August 20.

Examination Results

The following qualified as A.R.P.S. Instructors: a recent examination. Deputy Divisional Warden H. C. Lau (Y.L.), Deputy District Warden Au Yan (Y.L.), and Chinese and English (Department). The following qualified as A.R.P. Wardens but are not available for service with the Corps: Deputy Divisional Warden H. C. Lau, J. de Castro Banto, Lee Shau-ping.

Civil Communications

The following will attend on Monday August 18, at A.R.P. Headquarters at 8.45 p.m. for practice of clerical duties: Despatch Riders Numbers 1, 2, 6, 12, 15, 19, 24, 27, 30, 33, 37, 47.

Leave—Acting

Warden F. H. Chan till September 15, 1941.

Appointment—During the absence

of Acting Head Communications Warden will be undertaken by Divisional Communications Warden K. W. Shin.

Strength Increase—Central 875A Chan Shing

The following qualified as an A.R.P. Telephonist and as a Chinese and English Division—4043 (T) Mrs. M. F. Hirocock, (S.S. P.) H. H. Pucka.

Deputy Director of Air Raid Precautions

STOCK MARKET REPORT

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Electricity Rts 11.10	
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"I would die happy if only the Japs were out of China," said Wong Hay, Chinese convict, just before his execution for murder.

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The Public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended: Yunnan, Szechuen, Kweichow, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu), Swatow, North and East of Kwangtung.

Small Parcel Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 5th August Aug. 15.
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Britain and Germany, through the U. S. Government have reached agreement on the reciprocal use of the air services to and from Lisbon for correspondence to and from prisoners of war and interned civilians. Letters and postcards from the United Kingdom will go from Lisbon to Germany by air as well as from Britain to Lisbon, and in the reverse direction also.

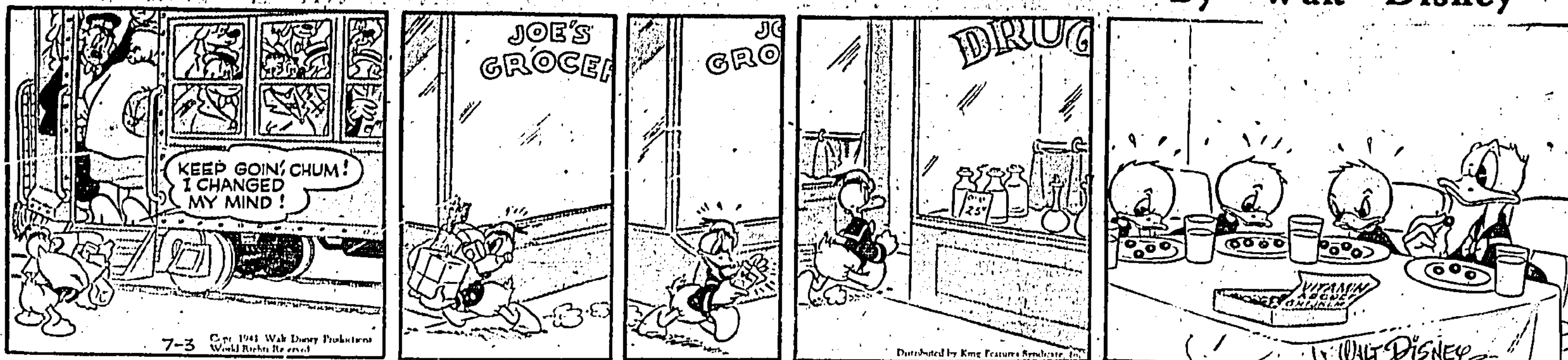
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How to Play
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The declarer in to-day's hand was highly aggrieved at his "misfortune" in losing a vulnerable game contract. Actually, it was a simple case of spurning cheap insurance.

Rubber bridge.
North-South vulnerable and 30 part-score.
South dealer.

♠ Q 10
♥ A K 4 3 2
♦ 10 8 5
♣ J 8 2

♠ K J 9 5
♥ A K J 6
♦ 4 3
♣ 9 5

♠ A K J 9 8
♥ 7
♦ 9
♣ A K Q 6 4

♠ A 10
♥ 2
♦ 3
♣ 4

North's two heart bid was decidedly skimpy, but aside from that the bidding was logical.

West led the king and ace of diamonds and continued with the jack. East discarded a club. Declarer, noting with pleasure the solidity of both his black suits, ruffed the third diamond and started to draw trumps. The second lead produced the alarming news that East had started with five trumps, but there was nothing declarer could do about that, now. He switched to clubs, attempting to cash as many as possible. East, however, broke into this procedure by ruffing the third round. He then led a low heart. Declarer found himself in dummy with the ace, and could not exit without using up another of his precious trumps. In short, he could never bring home his long clubs, and was confined to

five spade tricks, one heart and two clubs. Unbelievable as it appears, the contract was down one.

If this hand occurred in a match-point duplicate game, declarer would have a real problem. On the surface, five-odd in spades seems reasonably sure and it would probably be fatal to "play safe" for four-odd. At rubber bridge, however, and especially in a contract of only three-odd, a safety play is clearly indicated. It is unlikely that five trumps lie in one hand, but it is by no means impossible, and since declarer can easily, and at slight cost, provide against that break, he most certainly should do so.

The crux is to refuse to ruff the third diamond; to discard a winning club on the trick! This may look foolish but it is the epitome of common sense. Now declarer's trump holding cannot be shortened. Dummy's trumps will protect him against further diamond leads, and if West shifts to a heart, the ace wins and declarer can make five leads of trumps, if necessary.

A declarer should consider himself lucky when such cheap and simple insurance is available to him!

To-morrow's Hand

Rubber bridge.
East dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

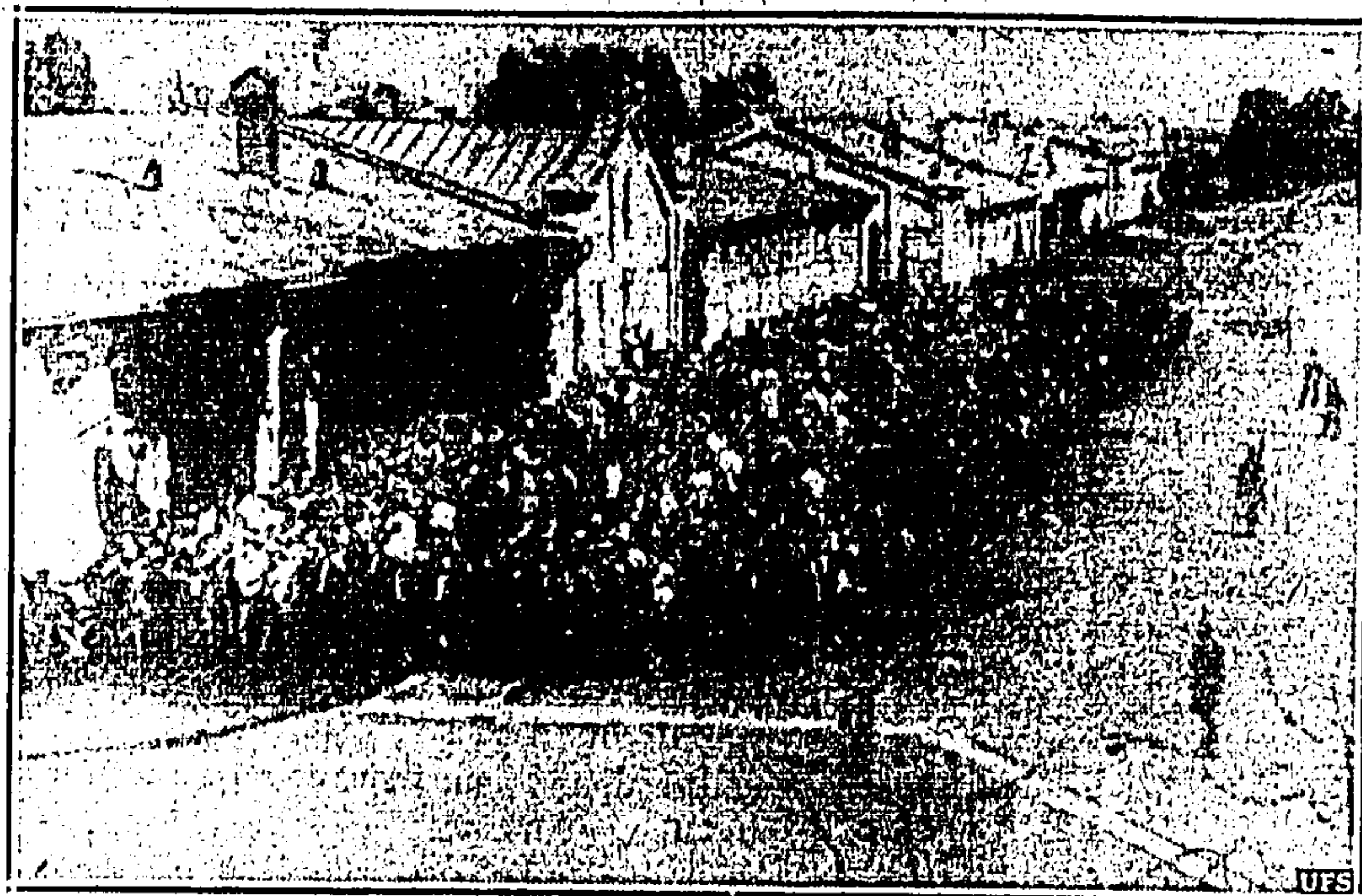
♠ 6 4
♥ A K 7 5 4 3 2
♦ Q 7
♣ 9 8

♠ 8 5 2
♥ Q 10 6
♦ J 6 3 2
♣ 10 6 2

♠ K Q 3
♥ 9
♦ A K 10 9 8 6 4
♣ K 3

How should South play his five diamond contract? Opening lead, club ten.

"New Order" in Poland



Once these were free citizens of the Polish Republic. Now they are herded like cattle under the guard of German military police, to be taken from Warsaw to a concentration camp at Oswiecim. Reports assert that the Nazis have slain 40,000 civilian Poles in six months.



Civilians in Poland who give the slightest opposition to Nazi domination are quickly eliminated. This picture, smuggled out of Poland, shows a firing squad in action at Palmira, near Warsaw, as Nazi terror stalks the land.

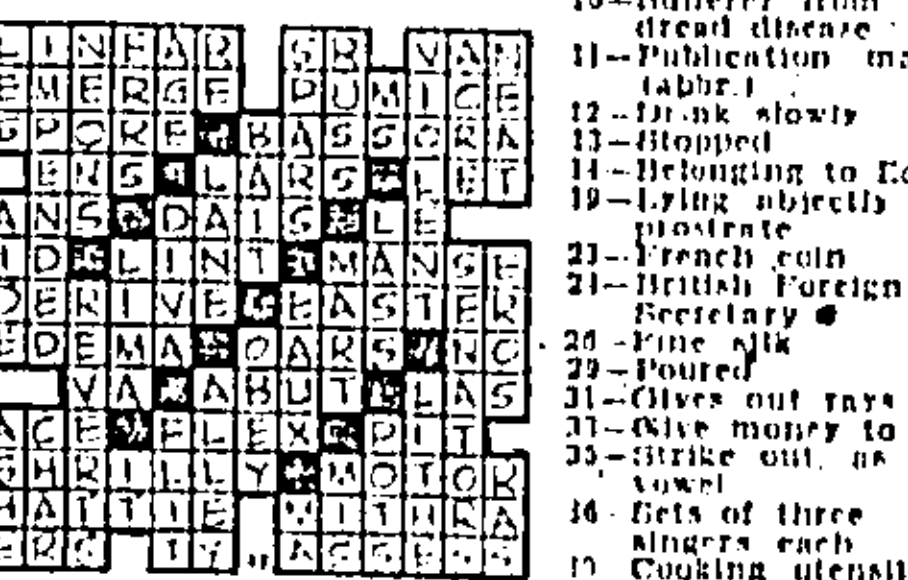
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

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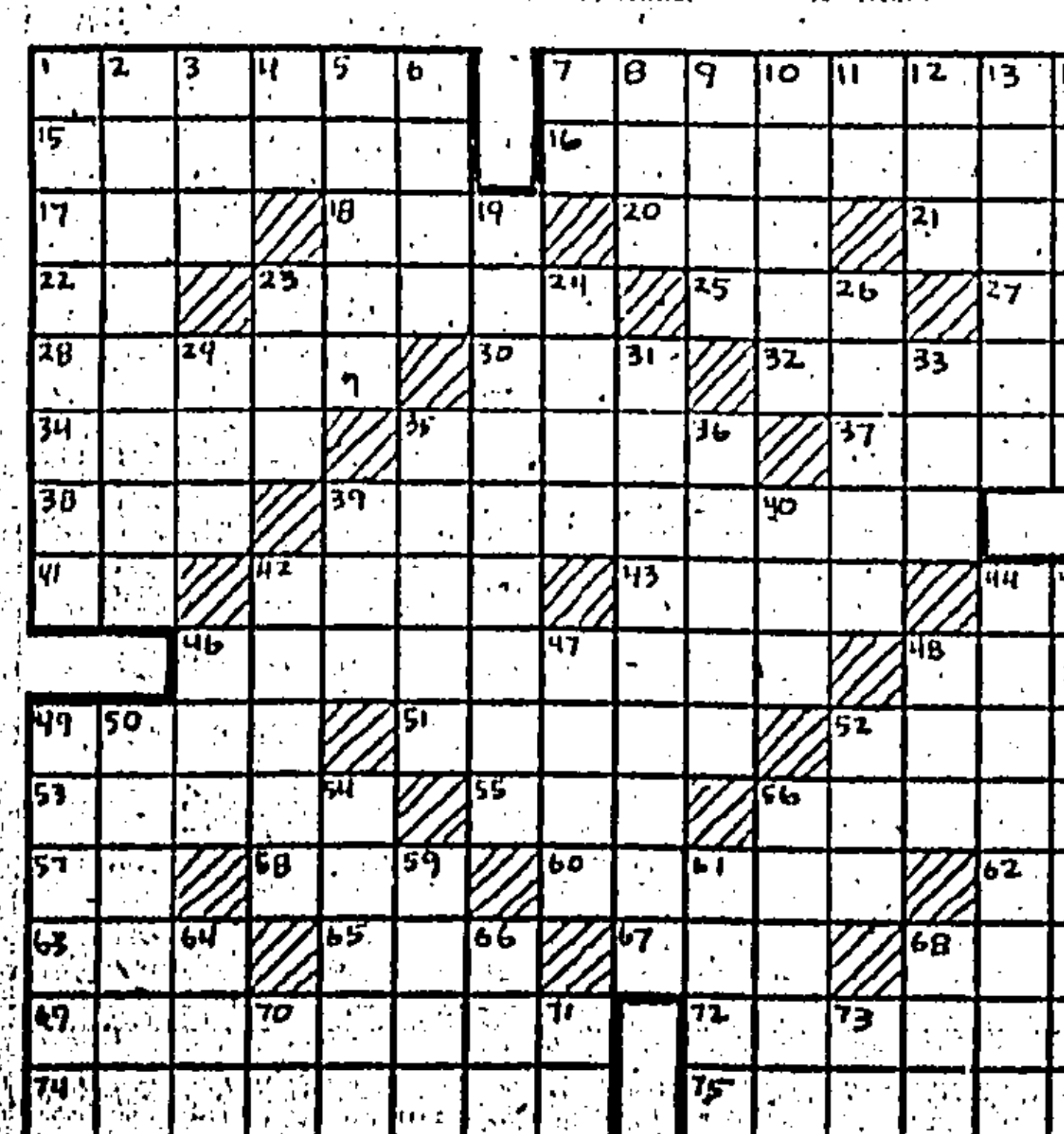
ACROSS

- 1—Agreement
- 7—Come together into one
- 15—Feeling of loathing
- 16—Cured
- 17—Branch of learning
- 18—Involved in one held by others
- 20—Opinion of one held by others
- 21—Small caution
- 22—Toward vicinity of
- 23—Covered weapon
- 25—With allowance for holder
- 27—Affirmative answer
- 28—Indian tribe
- 29—Lytic poem
- 30—Currency unit in India
- 31—Next son of Isaac
- 33—Overthrow
- 34—Young men
- 35—Male persons
- 36—Compass
- 37—Public announcement
- 38—Apprentice to spine
- 39—Prize of love
- 40—Impersonal pronoun
- 41—Interpretation of musical composition
- 42—Linger
- 43—Disgrace
- 44—Man's name
- 45—Dre-centimeters
- 46—Tightly drawn
- 47—Chilean
- 48—Of dark complexion
- 49—Barrenly gleety
- 50—Lavour
- 51—Jell between two extremes (law)



DOWN

- 2—South American mammal
- 3—Dartle home
- 4—Large body of water
- 5—Western Indian
- 6—Private warfare
- 8—Slime of insect
- 9—Wrote on back of
- 10—Thoroughly dislike
- 11—Publication manager
- 12—To be slowly
- 13—Belonging to Ed
- 14—Lying abjectly
- 16—French coin
- 19—British foreign secretary
- 20—Fine silk
- 22—Hour
- 24—Olives out taste
- 26—Give money to
- 27—Strike out as
- 28—Sets of three singers each
- 29—Cooking utensil
- 32—Blunt and pointed
- 33—Unpleasant ones
- 34—Make haste
- 35—Are rounded
- 36—Months
- 37—Try hard
- 38—Furry heavy
- 39—Female sheep
- 40—Slime of insect
- 41—Cling in net
- 42—Small children
- 43—Point origin
- 44—Combination
- 45—Partook of
- 46—Treat
- 47—Note of scale
- 48—Rudely; pertaining to
- 49—Near



NAZI "JUSTICE."—Two German soldiers were killed in a tavern brawl in Wawer, near Warsaw, Poland. The tavern owner was charged with the responsibility by the Germans and he was hanged outside his door. This is one of the pictures smuggled out of Poland after a Gestapo agent was paid highly.



These Polish men in a smuggled picture from Palmira, Poland, are blindfolded and walking through a forest glade. They thought they were on their way to a concentration camp. Instead, they are going to be executed.

Ratcatcher Dies After Being Bitten By Flea

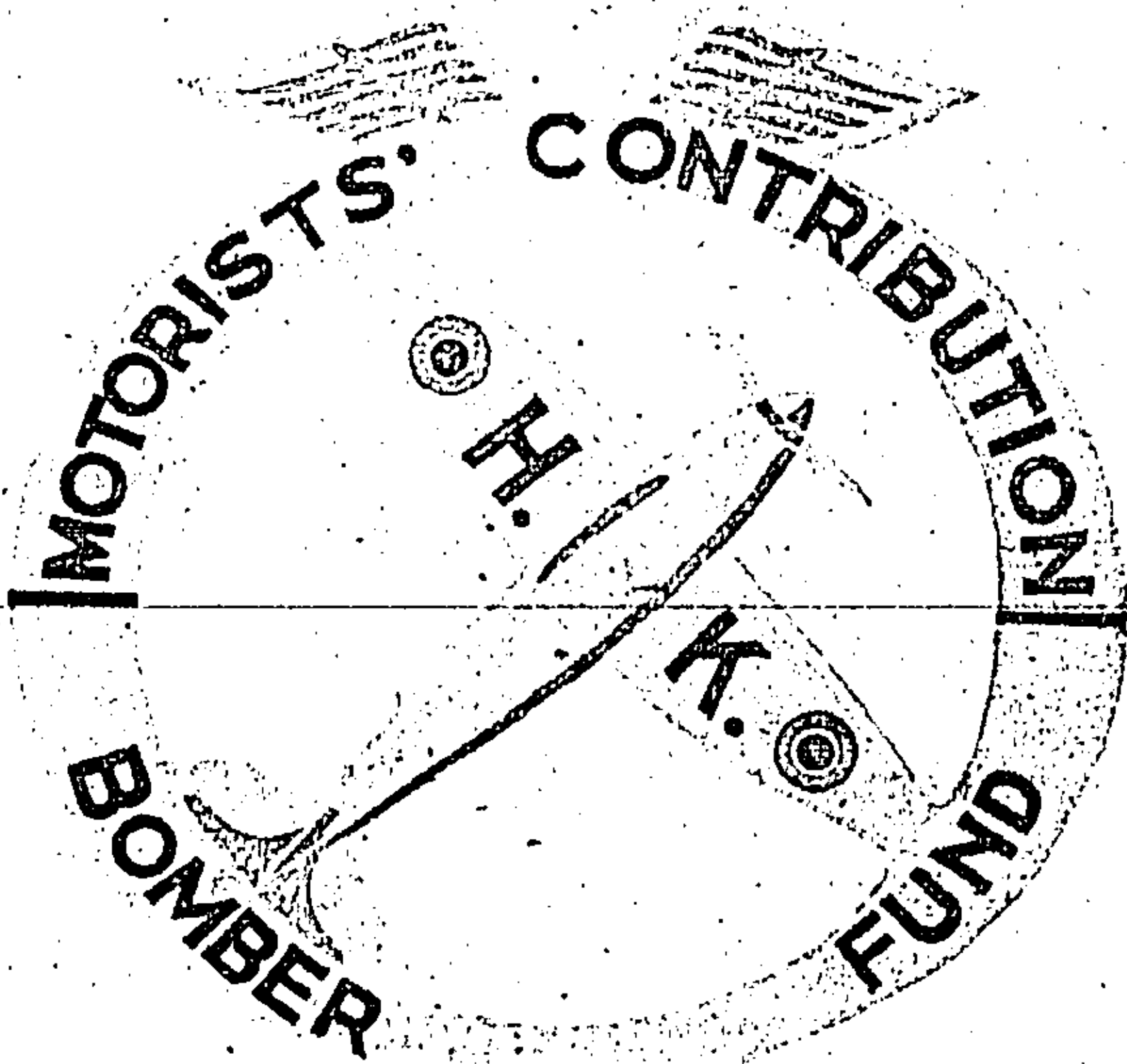
A woman was granted £750 compensation in the Workers' Compensation Court in Brisbane recently on evidence which claimed that her husband's death was due to a flea-bite.

The woman was Gertrude Mary Shepherd, of Sandgate. Her husband, James Campbell Shepherd, had been a city council ratcatcher.

Evidence was given that Shepherd died from murine typhus, caused by the bite of a flea from a rat.

This was the first fatal case of more than 50 cases of murine typhus which the Queensland Health Department has recorded in the last four years.

Dr. E. H. Derick, director of the



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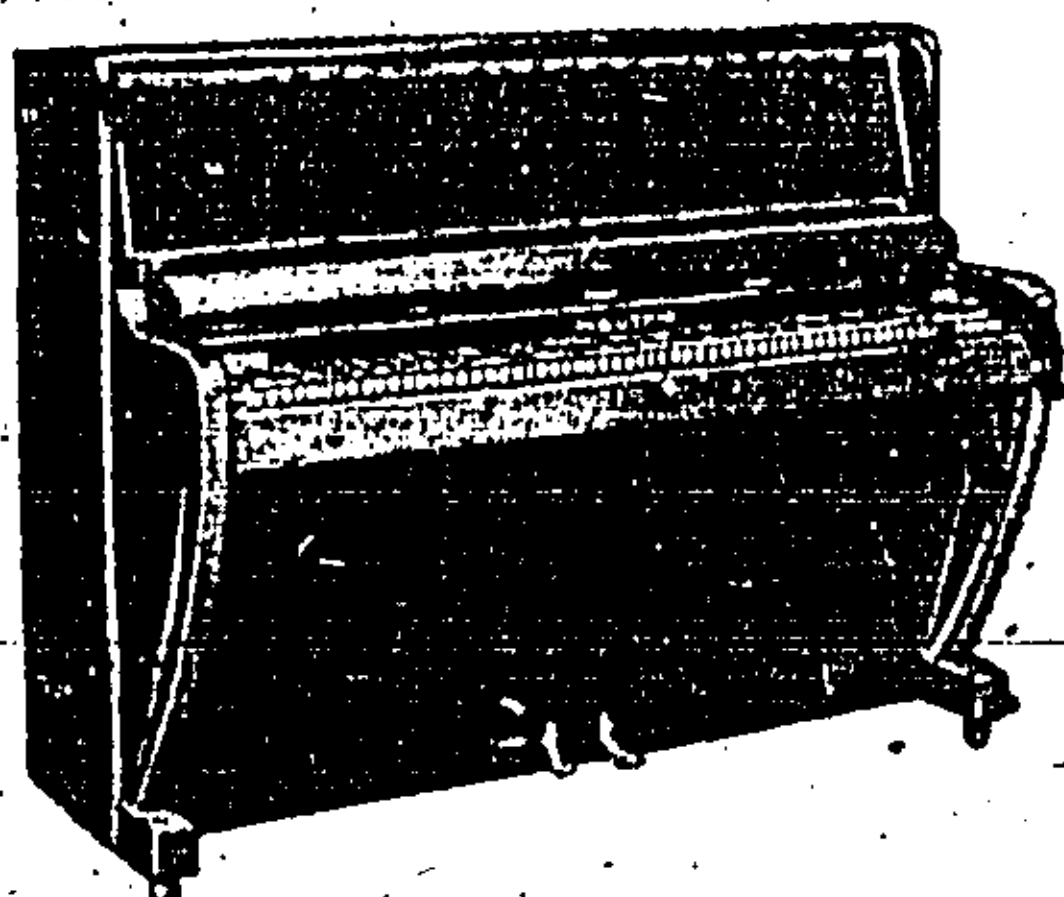
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TURKEY AND IRAN

BEHIND the polite language which His Majesty's Government has used to conceal its anxiety as to the position of Turkey and Iran there lies a very firm determination to solidify our present firm position in the Middle East and to avoid a repetition of the unfortunate affair of Iraq. With regard to Turkey who is our friend and will no doubt continue to remain our friend, there is sympathetic realisation of her position as a buffer between ourselves and the enemy, or a gateway to attack for either side according to the inclination of her Government. We shall not force Turkey to become a gateway for us; but we shall resist German pressure tactics to achieve entry for herself with the greatest resolve, and Turkey should have learned from the unhappy examples around them that if she is forced from neutrality her whole future—in honour and in material—lies entirely with the victory of the Allies.

The arrival of the Nazis at their very door caused a considerable moderation in the Turks' support of the Allies but they have not turned their face from us utterly. Adept Nazi propaganda is attempting to force a wedge between Turkey and the Russo-British combination which backs up Turkey. The remembrance of the snubs which Istanbul inflicted on Berlin in bolder days are not forgotten; once the Nazis have forced the door of Turkey's neutrality she can expect to become a more or less subject nation.

With regard to Iran, whose king was confirmed in his early military command by Field Marshal Ironside at a time when Russia and Britain were politically struggling for domination of the country, the position depends entirely on the whim of Reza-Sha who is an absolute ruler. In blitzkrieg days there is no time to dilly-dally at playing off one interest against another and nowadays Britain and Russia, the two Powers in a position to exercise immediate pressure, are at one.

Ismet Inonu... Turkey's Little Man With a Big Fist

ISMET, INONU, PRESIDENT OF TURKEY and Commander-in-Chief of her Army, is a gray-haired little man, short and slim, and afflicted with deafness which probably began when he was an artillery officer. He is unusually soft spoken and even gentle in his manner. His deafness is famous in diplomatic circles where its convenience is proverbial. In Turkey's modern history he stands second only to the late Kemal Ataturk, swash-buckling founder of the Turkey we know to-day. But there were times when even Kemal had to listen to Ismet.

In July, 1923, the new Turkey had just risen from the ruins of the one-time Ottoman Empire and had concluded a peace treaty with Britain, France, Italy and Greece at Lausanne. When I reached Lausanne on my way from Washington to Ankara, the new Turkish capital in Asia Minor, I called upon Gen. Ismet Pasha, then Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs and chief Turkish delegate to the Peace Conference.

"THE UNITED STATES," said Ismet with emphasis, "is probably the only power in the world with which we Orientals can deal without any fear whatever. Americans are interested in sound business and not in political influence and conquest. That's the main reason why we Turks feel admiration and friendship for America."

And now that we've made peace with England, what do you think Britain's policy toward Turkey is going to be?" he asked suddenly.

"It is my firm belief," I said, "that the British are going to become sincere friends of Turkey."

"I agree," said Ismet slowly. He seemed to reflect for a moment, then added, "If Britain becomes our friend, we will pay back friendship with friendship. Anglo-Turkish co-operation would be one of the greatest stabilising factors for world peace."

ISMET INONU was born in Smyrna, main port of Asia Minor, in 1884. His father was in the Turkish civil service. In 1904 he got his commission as an artillery lieutenant in the army of the notorious Sultan, Abdul the Damned. He played an important part in the so-called Young Turk revolution of 1908 which freed his country from the tyrant.

I first saw him in 1917. He was passing through Aleppo, the biggest city of Syria, on his way from Constantinople to Palestine to assume command of an army corps which was facing Lord Allenby's troops near the still extant biblical city of Bir-Sheba.

"Do you see that little fellow there?" asked a Turkish captain who saw me off on my way to Damascus. "He's standing right there, talking to the station-master. That's Ismet, the man of law and order, he's a sissy and a pedant, but I know him well. He's one of the toughest fellows in the Turkish Army."

In requiring the suppression of subversive German activities in Iran, Iran would do well to remember Mr Churchill's words: "We have a right and the will to fight the Germans wherever we find them."



alone was worth an entire modern army. And he promptly set about making one.

Ismet became Kemal's right-hand man, his most trusted lieutenant.

First, Ismet insisted that there must be law and order in the Turkish rebel army.

In the following year, when the well equipped and brave Greek Army made its great offensive in Asia Minor, Ismet, in direct command of the new Turkish western army, brought their offensive to a halt at Inonu, the village which gave him his surname a few years later when every Turk was bound by law to adopt a family name.

Allied Commander-in-Chief in Constantinople and later Governor of Gibraltar, rose and held out his hand to Ismet who stood up and took the Briton's hand across the table. It was the first handshake between the two, and the first between their nations since 1914. That handclasp has not been loosened since.

FROM 1924 to 1927 and again from 1930 until 1937, Ismet held the post of Prime Minister almost without interruption. With Kemal Ataturk in the Presidency, Ismet was in direct charge of modern Turkey's reform programme. Harms and polygamy were abolished by law. Women were

He doesn't like the "New Order"

By EDWARD J. BING

In 1918, Allenby smashed the Turkish front in Palestine. The Turkish Empire crumbled. The Allies occupied Constantinople. 10 days, the Turks reached Kemal Ataturk escaped to Asia Minor and raised the standard of revolt. The Greeks were masters of the western third of Anatolia. To resist them, Kemal Pasha had scraped together a makeshift army of deserters, marauders and Circassian "volunteers" who were in reality bandits, while he was trying to raise a regular army.

ALL roads from Constantinople to the interior were watched to prevent Turkish patriots from going over to Kemal the rebel. One dark evening in 1919, a ragged-looking man in a torn military uniform, made his way out of heavily guarded Constantinople. The soldier entered upon a long, weary trek through Asia Minor, through the Greek front line and devastated villages. Eventually he reached the GHQ of Kemal Pasha. One of Kemal's men took a look at the unkempt, ragged figure.

"Ismet Pasha!" he cried. "Allah has brought Your Excellency to us! Elhamdullillah! Allah be praised!"

The man of law and order had joined the outlawed rebel. He Gen. Sir Charles Harrington,

On Aug. 26, 1922, the Turkish Western Army, led by Ismet, broke the Greek lines. Within 10 days, the Turks reached Smyrna. The remnants of the heroic Greek Army were rescued on Allied ships. The Turks now moved against Constantinople and Thrace, held by the Allies and the Greeks. At this point, the Allies proposed an armistice conference. It met at Mudania, a small village on the Asiatic coast of the Sea of Marmora. Ismet Pasha was the chief of the Turkish delegation.

AT THE SAME TIME, the man of law and order did not overlook a detail of his job. He ordered picked troops to the Mudania to impress the Allied generals with the looks and the spirit of the new Turkish Army. Every man, in his carefully pressed uniform, looked as if he had just come from parade. Ismet had a military band play twice a day in front of the building where the armistice conference met.

When the conference ended in agreement, I asked Ismet to admit us newspapermen for the signing and we were there when the Allied generals, Ismet, and his chief of staff, filed into the small room. When it was over Gen. Sir Charles Harrington,

given an equal legal status to the men's, and got the vote. The Swiss civil law code and a brand new criminal code on the Western model were adopted. The fez and the turban were replaced by the western hat, the dress of their American and European sisters.

But little soft spoken and deaf Ismet still found fault with many things. He was loyal to the Allies, but was no yes man. He repeatedly criticised the private life of Kemal, who was a unique combination of a military genius, inspired reformer, chronic drunkard and debauchee. In his moments of leisure, Kemal was surrounded by a handful of satellites who were the companions of his job. Ismet detested them and they detested Ismet. He ostentatiously ignored them, and his private life, which was that of a good father and husband, moved in a world which he kept carefully away from Kemal's.

IN 1937, following a particularly candid remark by Ismet about Ataturk's drunkenness while attending to important public business, Ataturk brusquely dismissed his most faithful collaborator from the Premiership. Ismet withdrew to private life. Later, Kemal repeatedly expressed his regret and repentance of his act. But in Ismet's character there is only one thing that is even stronger than his loyalty to friends—his loyalty to his life's motto: "law and order."

When Ataturk died in the fall of 1938, the Turkish people unanimously made little Ismet of the soft spoken word and the iron will the head of the State and Army.

His job is not yet completed. But one thing is sure. Like many of his countrymen, Ismet got a 100 per cent picture of German methods and policies in 1914-18, when the Germans, Turkey's allies in name, were feverishly engaged in carrying out their traditional Berlin-Bagdad project. He is not likely to have any illusions about the worth of Hitler's "new order."

AIR POWER IN THE FAR EAST

With 2,500 planes—each tain and the United States, to larger, speedier and better the "unsatisfactory" attitude of manned than the estimated 2,000 Japan can muster—in the "pivotal" moves by the United States and the Dutch East Indies now have a safe edge over Japan in the air, declares the military correspondent of the New York "World-Telegram."

The Democracies, he says, have stymied Japan with air power in the Pacific, thus allowing the United States to violate her time-honoured strategical ban against dividing her sea force in the face of a potential enemy.

Transfer from the Pacific to the Atlantic of sufficient vessels of the U.S. Fleet to permit the occupation of Iceland and to establish a steel laneway to within 600 miles of Britain would not have been risked six months ago.

It has been risked now, says the correspondent, because of the new importance of air power and because the world's heaviest bombers are now at Pacific stations.

In addition, American airmen are teaching the Chinese how to give the Japanese more than shadow boxing, while Russia has about 1,000 planes near Vladivostok, 641 miles from Tokyo and only 577 miles from Yokohama.

This and other factors lead to renewed complaints by the Japanese Press of Britain's "policy of encirclement" in the Far East, and Japanese newspapers, led by the semi-official "Lomel" news agency, are reporting from various places alleged anti-Japanese moves.

Otto Toltschus, New York "Times" correspondent in Tokyo, says the Press increasingly refers to "encirclement" by Brit-

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I could dance with you like this forever, Marge, only my wind ain't so good!"

Defences Of Burma Are Prepared

RANGOON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—As gathering war clouds frown on Burma's neighbours, the Burmese people are grimly and methodically making preparations to resist any attack on their country.

"If the lives and happiness of 10,000,000 people are to be jeopardised by lust for power, we will defend ourselves to the last man, and we are not alone," is the answer of the ordinary Burmese to potential threats from abroad.

This great Buddhist country of pagodas and paddy lands has not known war for 63 years. Claiming religious kinship with other countries in the Far East, she realises that even religion would be endangered if her frontiers were violated by aggression.

Specious Propaganda

For many months Burma has had to endure specious propaganda broadcast by interested countries but it has evoked only derision. In Burmese eyes, those who break the law against killing and committing crimes against peaceful nations stand self-condemned. Burma's attitude was typically illustrated by scenes witnessed by the Governor, Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, on his recent tour when chiefs of the frontier tribes renewed their pledge to die for the cause of liberty. Flattering Union Jacks and songs of martial valour were features of the enthusiastic welcome given to Sir Reginald. The tribes cheerfully accept black-out and other restrictions and would, if required, furnish formidable guerrilla units.

Airgraph Letters To Services

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Queen will inaugurate a new service of airgraph letters to the Middle East forces by sending a message to General Sir Claude Auchinleck, the Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East, on Friday.

The Postmaster-General and War Office announce that technical arrangements are now completed for messages to be sent on and after Friday to the Middle East and East African forces and warships in the Eastern Mediterranean, including fleet auxiliaries and merchantmen requisitioned for naval and military service.

"Postage" will be 3d. It is expected that letters will reach the base in a fortnight.

SABOTAGE IN AMERICA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". MANWAH, N.J., Aug. 13 (UP).—The Government today joined the local authorities who are investigating the sabotage of machinery in the strike-bound American Brake Shoe Foundry Company where Sheriff William Browne stated that saboteurs had poured sand into the oil cups of the powerhouse machinery, broke pressure gauges and stop-cocks and removed braking pins from the yard locomotive and crane.

The strikers flatly denied responsibility. The plant makes test bombs and bomb-casings.

U.S. Minister To Thailand Resigns

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, has announced the resignation of Mr. Hugh G. Grant, Minister to Thailand. He said that the resignation was submitted some time ago but had just been accepted. The resignation was not connected with the current Pacific development.



NASSAU DEFENDERS—In Nassau, Bahamas, the Duke of Windsor, Governor of islands, inspects his Home Defence Corps. He is shown with fore-and-aft sun helmet in group of officials.

Shells, Bombs and Bullets Not Main Concern of A.I.F. Boys

Sitting in his dug-out in the desert outposts of Tobruk, a young A.I.F. officer sits back occasionally and writes letters to one of his sisters in Australia who "circulates" it to other members of the family, including another sister who is at present stationed with her husband in Singapore.

Shells, bombs and bullets are not the main concern of the A.I.F. boys, according to these letters.

Beer, baths and beds is what they would like to have—as well as hot battles with the Boches. "I would give £10 for a bath and a good meal; it would be wonderful," writes the officer, who hastens to add that "These are only minor privations," and that "Most of the chaps are exceptionally happy and well on top as far as morale is concerned."

Daring Patrols

"Everywhere around me," he says in one letter, "are smashed enemy trucks, guns and other damaged material."

He relates how resourceful Aussie infantrymen, tired of waiting for the Nazis to come up, sneak out, find an old truck, "doctor" it up with spare parts and mechanical knowledge, and move off "on patrol."

Favourite tactic of the Nazis is snelling, and in regard to this, the officer comments, "If the Hun comes up again he will get quite a hot reception. We shall keep hitting him."

Raid Daily

Practically every day there is an air raid by anything between nine and 27 planes, dive-bombing at different targets. "He seems to drop a terrible amount of eggs," but as a little damage is done," remarks the officer.

He tells the "amusing" story of a quartermaster who was walking one day when a Nazi dived and machine-gun bullets hit up the desert a few feet away.

The quartermaster made one dive and covered 100 yards in record time.

The water ration is half a gallon a day for cooking, drinking, shaving, washing, etcetera. On a cupful of water, quite a lot has to be done. "I usually clean my teeth, shave (occasionally), and then proceed to sponge down on the same cupful," declares the officer.

Beer Like Champagne
Remembering how a bottle of Australian beer he had one day "tasted like champagne," he tells the following amusing anecdote:

While ranging one day, the artillery dropped a shell "rather short," and it landed near one of the A.I.F. posts. Fortunately, no damage was done, but the men in the post let themselves be heard.

The officer in charge of the artillery immediately went down, apologised profusely and stated he would make up his mistake with a few bottles of beer. He sent down a dozen bottles.

The next day, the post suggested to him they would be prepared to let him land "another chap short."

"With all the hardships and trials," adds the officer, "there is much humour about the whole show that your mind is somewhat balanced with the lighter side of things."

War Exercises In America

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The biggest war exercises in the history of the west coast began at dawn today when a mythical invading fleet was sighted by the Los Angeles Coast Guard.

There have been two days of a "war of nerves" while the attackers feinted, obviously with the intention of spreading out the defenders.

Big guns at Fort Worden opened fire but the umpires ruled that the fort was destroyed after 10 minutes.

The imaginary fleet continued down the Sound to Seattle. The huge McChord Airfield and half the defending air force were judged destroyed.

Little Enemy Air Activity Over U.K.

LONDON, Aug. 14 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communiqué to-night states: "This morning one or two enemy aircraft crossed the northeast coast and dropped bombs at points a short distance inland. No extensive damage was done but a small number of casualties have been reported."

"Elsewhere there was very little enemy activity and there are no reports of any bombs having been dropped."

Formidable Indian Army

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

SIMLA, Aug. 13 (UP).—Broadcasting over the all-India radio network, General Sir Archibald Wavell revealed that there is already nearly three quarters of a million Indians under arms, with recruits flowing into the depots "as fast as we can provide for them."

"Meanwhile, modern equipment and weapons on the necessary scale are now coming both from India's factories and overseas."

The General expressed satisfaction over the training of the Indian army's northern and western Commands which he recently inspected, saying, "Our future efforts must continue to prevent the enemy, wherever possible, from getting with striking distance of this country."

MR DUFF COOPER TO SPEAK

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—Mr. Duff Cooper will make a broadcast from New York next Sunday but the topic has not yet been revealed.

On Thursday, he addresses the National Press Club at a luncheon in Washington after which he will confer with Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

Bombing Of China From French Bases

LONDON, Aug. 14 (Reuter).—Japanese naval aircraft operating from bases in Indo-China have heavily bombed key points in the Chinese hinterland and the Chinese arsenal at Kunming.

British Condemn Vichy Subservience To Nazi

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The following official comment was made in London today on Marshal Petain's broadcast: "Marshal Petain's speech betrays in unmistakable terms the utmost anxiety on the part of the Vichy Government in regard to the internal condition of France."

"The long and abject record of dishonour and surrender of this government has beyond any doubt reduced its prestige and popularity with the French people to the vanishing point and has brought about a state of affairs in which the people are turning with growing hope towards Britain and the Allies and ardently desire an Allied victory."

"The Government have accordingly taken to themselves the widest dictatorial powers and have placed those powers in the hands of Admiral Darlan who will thus be placed in the strongest possible position to force upon the French people those measures of further surrender and further collaboration with the Axis which he has in mind and which it would be otherwise impossible for him to foist upon his compatriots."

Imitation of Axis
"The form of government envisaged for France in Marshal Petain's speech is not only designed for the purpose of subjugating and silencing the French people and enforcing upon them a policy which they do not wish, but also designed with a view to imitating those forms of government which already obtain in Germany and Italy, thereby underlining the determination of the Vichy Government to ally itself more closely than ever with the Axis."

"The fate of such a form of government, lacking any measure of spontaneous and popular support in the country upon which it is imposed, is not likely to be a happy one."

Propaganda
LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—German fear of propaganda in France is shown by the manner in which the Vichy correspondent of the official German news agency refers to the decisions announced in the Petain broadcast last night. Referring to the establishment of a new general secretariat for information and propaganda, the correspondent says: "This is regarded in well-informed circles as an instrument for putting an end to every form of private propaganda activity. All further information services in the country will be directed by the Government. Dislocation of organisations which have hitherto carried on private propaganda activity by circulating leaflets and other material is part of the action taken by the government to suppress such propaganda centres."

Duff Cooper Calls On Mr Hull

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. A. Duff-Cooper, who is on his way to the Far East to co-ordinate British administration in the Far East, conferred with Mr Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, today.

Later in an interview, he said that Britain was eager to collaborate with the United States on parallel lines throughout the world. The only comment he would make on Far East tension was that the British felt that Japan could not be allowed entirely to have her own way in the Pacific.

Dominion Ceremony

Mr Duff-Cooper had earlier attended a ceremony at which representatives of the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand formally exchanged ratification of treaties designed for the advancement of peace.

The treaties replace the treaty with the British Empire of 1914. They provide separate commissions for the settlement of disputes instead of one commission of the United States and Britain. Though negotiated last year, the treaties had not previously been formally ratified.

Australian Aircraft Production

MELBOURNE, Aug. 14 (Reuter).—Senator J. W. Leckie, Minister for Aircraft Production, stated today that Australia would produce planes worth £20,000,000 in 1942 compared with £7,000,000 in 1941.

They will be of all types, from trainers to modern bombers. Mr Leckie added that Beauforts would soon be coming off the production line at a steady rate.

India Closes Sanctions Gap

SIMLA, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Government of India have taken steps to close a leak in the recent Japanese freezing orders to which attention has been drawn.

No goods imported from the Japanese Empire or China shall be cleared whether they are for home consumption or for shipment to a foreign port unless the Customs are satisfied that the whole carriage, insurance and freight value, excepting such part of it as had been paid before July 20, has been paid into a blocked account or the owner has produced an order from the Government of India permitting clearance.

The prohibition does not apply to goods imported from China by land to Burma, and from there by sea or land to India.

Signals' Annual Aquatic Sports

THE ANNUAL aquatic sports of the Royal Corps of Signals were held in the Army pool yesterday before a small gathering of enthusiastic supporters.

Swimming was keen, but highlight of the afternoon was the exhibition water-polo game that concluded the programme. In this the Signals shared eight goals with Royal Scots "A", which was an excellent performance in view of the fact that their swimmers had taken part in several events previously—including a water-polo match.

Results

Two lengths—1. Sig. Bennett; 2. Sig. Allen; 3. Sig. Hunt; Time 41.5. 200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Hodson; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 30.2. 400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 45. 800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.02. 1,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.05. 3,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 4.10. 6,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 8.20. 12,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 16.40. 25,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 33.10. 51,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.06.40. 102,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.13.20. 204,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 4.26.40. 409,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 8.53.20. 819,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 17.46.40. 1,638,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 35.33.20. 3,276,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.11.06.40. 6,553,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.22.13.20. 13,107,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 4.44.26.40. 26,214,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 9.28.53.20. 52,428,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 18.57.46.40. 104,857,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 37.55.33.20. 209,715,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 75.50.26.40. 419,430,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.51.41.13.20. 838,860,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 3.03.22.26.40. 1,677,721,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 6.06.44.53.20. 3,355,443,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 12.13.29.46.40. 6,710,886,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 24.26.59.33.20. 13,421,772,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 48.53.58.26.40. 26,843,545,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 97.47.56.53.20. 53,687,091,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.55.35.52.46.40. 107,374,182,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 3.11.11.45.33.20. 214,748,364,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 6.22.23.31.06.40. 429,496,729,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 12.44.46.62.13.20. 858,993,459,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 25.29.32.24.26.40. 1,717,986,918,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 50.58.64.48.53.20. 3,435,973,836,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.01.57.29.37.06.40. 6,871,947,673,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.03.54.58.74.13.20. 13,743,895,347,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 4.07.49.57.48.26.40. 27,487,790,694,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 8.15.39.55.36.53.20. 54,975,581,388,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 16.31.19.51.13.06.40. 109,951,162,777,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 32.62.39.02.26.13.20. 219,902,325,555,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 65.24.78.04.52.26.40. 439,804,651,110,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.30.49.56.09.53.20. 879,609,302,220,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.61.39.52.19.46.40. 1,759,218,604,441,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 5.22.79.04.38.93.20. 3,518,437,208,883,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 10.45.58.08.76.86.40. 7,036,874,417,766,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 21.31.56.17.53.73.20. 14,073,748,835,532,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 42.43.52.35.07.46.40. 28,147,497,671,065,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 84.47.04.70.14.93.20. 56,294,995,342,131,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.29.34.09.40.28.46.40. 112,589,990,684,262,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.58.68.18.80.56.93.20. 225,179,981,368,524,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 5.17.36.36.60.11.86.40. 450,359,962,737,049,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 10.34.72.72.20.22.93.20. 900,719,925,474,099,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 21.09.45.44.40.44.86.40. 1,801,439,850,948,198,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 42.19.30.88.80.88.93.20. 3,602,879,701,896,396,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 84.38.60.76.60.76.93.20. 7,205,759,403,792,793,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.29.17.20.12.12.86.40. 14,411,518,807,585,587,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.58.34.40.24.24.73.20. 28,823,037,615,171,174,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 5.16.68.80.48.48.93.20. 57,646,075,230,342,348,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 10.33.36.60.96.96.93.20. 115,292,150,460,684,697,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 21.06.72.12.19.19.86.40. 230,584,300,921,369,395,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 42.13.44.24.38.38.93.20. 461,168,601,842,738,790,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 84.27.28.48.76.76.93.20. 922,337,203,685,477,580,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.28.54.56.96.96.93.20. 1,844,674,407,370,955,161,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.57.49.12.19.19.86.40. 3,689,348,814,741,910,323,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 5.15.38.24.38.38.93.20. 7,378,697,629,483,820,646,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 10.31.16.48.76.76.93.20. 14,757,395,258,967,641,292,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 21.02.32.96.96.96.93.20. 29,514,790,517,935,282,585,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 42.04.64.19.19.19.86.40. 59,029,581,035,870,565,171,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 84.08.12.38.76.76.93.20. 118,059,162,071,741,130,342,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.28.16.24.76.76.93.20. 236,118,324,143,482,260,684,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.56.32.48.15.15.86.40. 472,236,648,286,964,521,369,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 5.12.64.96.30.30.93.20. 944,473,296,573,929,042,739,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 10.24.12.19.38.38.93.20. 1,888,946,593,147,858,085,478,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 20.48.24.38.76.76.93.20. 3,777,893,186,295,716,170,956,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 41.36.48.76.15.15.86.40. 7,555,786,372,591,432,341,913,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 82.72.96.15.30.30.93.20. 15,111,572,745,182,864,683,827,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.25.44.19.30.30.93.20. 30,223,145,490,365,729,367,654,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.51.28.38.60.60.93.20. 60,446,290,980,731,458,735,308,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 5.02.56.76.12.12.86.40. 120,892,581,961,462,917,470,617,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 10.05.12.19.24.24.93.20. 241,785,163,922,925,834,941,235,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 20.10.24.38.48.48.93.20. 483,570,327,845,851,669,882,470,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 40.20.48.76.96.96.93.20. 967,140,655,691,703,339,764,940,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 80.40.96.15.19.19.86.40. 1,934,281,311,383,406,679,529,881,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 1.20.80.30.38.38.93.20. 3,868,562,622,766,813,359,059,763,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 2.40.16.48.76.76.93.20. 7,737,125,245,533,626,718,119,526,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 5.20.32.96.15.15.86.40. 15,474,250,491,067,253,436,239,052,800 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 10.40.64.19.30.30.93.20. 30,948,500,982,134,506,872,478,105,600 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 21.20.12.38.76.76.93.20. 61,897,001,964,269,013,744,956,211,200 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 42.40.24.76.15.15.86.40. 123,794,003,928,538,027,489,912,422,400 yds. length handicap—1. Sig. Lalg; 2. Sig. Bennett; 3. Cpl. Cooney. Time 84.80.48.15.30.30.93.20. 247,588,007,857,076,054,979,824,844,800 yds. length handicap—1

"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

League Matches Might Start Later

Present Conditions Uncomfortable

RINKS CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Kowloon F.C. And K. Tong Fight For Promotion

ACCORDING to a Royal Observatory announcement, the temperature on Saturday was 92.5 degrees, but at the Club where I was playing the thermometer read 94 in the shade. This latter reading was probably inaccurate; yet it was far too hot for comfort and the sight of players walking up and down under the blazing sun, I should imagine, is a strong enough argument for matches to commence at 4.30 or even at 5 p.m.

Greens everywhere were "fiery" and good control was needed for high-standard bowling. There were no upsets in the League programme, which provided Craigengower C.C. with another clean sweep in the First Division.

Craigengower's victims on this occasion were Kowloon B.C.C. who, up against the Valley side on a strange green, were defeated on all three rinks and on aggregate by 17 shots.

A feature of the match was a seven by U. M. Omar, who beat A. J. Hall for his twelfth consecutive victory. This was scored when Hall was leading 14-7 and thus on one head Omar wiped off the deficit.

Actually he should have had a possible. Already lying seven, he had the last wood. He had only to play on his own cluster of woods round the Jack to get eight, but was a trifle heavy, pushing one out of the count although his own remained.

Up to this stage, Hall had been playing a deadly game, saving his rink time and time again. On nearly all of the first six or seven heads, I am told, Hall found the shots against him when he went down to roll but he seldom failed. However, he could not keep it up and was finally beaten by ten shots.

DESPITE losing on two rinks, the Police, thanks to J. Shepherd's rink, took the major share of the points from Kowloon Docks at Happy Valley. W. McLeod, W. B. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd beat R. Lapsley, J. Mackie, T. Coleman and M. Ferguson by 13 shots, and this was enough to give the Police a win on aggregate.

E. G. Post figured in a rather peculiar game against A. M. Calman. He opened his scoring with a seven and then later dropped a six, finally losing by two shots.

J. C. S. Fender, the third Police skip, also had a close match against J. Cullen, being beaten by two shots. Had Fender had his regular form, men playing with him, he probably would have won.

ON the next green, the Indians won their second away match of the season at the expense of the rather weak Civil Servants. Their first, strangely enough, was against the champions before the latter lost interest in the championship.

Even with A. K. Mian's rink beating H. E. Strange's by 15 shots and M. R. Abbas' beating J. W. Deakin's by 14, the Indians had only six shots to spare in the end. This was due to the 23-shot defeat sustained by A. R. Dallah at the hands of M. N. Robinson, the singles champion of the Colony.

While Dallah's men were rather weak and he, himself, was off his game, Robinson played like the champion that he is, turning many an adverse position to his own advantage. He was given good support by his front men, Vic Elbridge being the fore.

Minu led Harry Strange all the way and his last was made easier by the fact that the latter was unwell and the bowling sun did not make him feel any better. He had to take frequent rests and to leave the direction of the rink to his No. 3, J. F. MacGowan.

Deakin started well against M. R. Abbas and at one stage led by 12-2. In one of the early heads, Deakin played a lovely wood to snatch a count of five. He was lying only one but with his last wood he pushed the jack through a few inches to register a handful.

After ten, the Indian rink improved considerably and scored 21 shots against their opponents' two singles.

AT King's Park, Recreio "A" beat Kowloon B.C.C. "B" comfortably on two rinks, but in the third A. P. Gutierrez lost to Joe Meyer by the narrowest possible margin.

On this rink, the game was very close all through and Meyer's good form just managed to swing the scales in the concluding heads.

IN the Second Division, both the League leaders, Kowloon F.C. and Kowloon Tong, won their matches, but by beating Club of Recreio 5-0, the former have forged ahead of Kowloon Tong, who dropped a point to Hongkong F.C., J. L. Stephens' rink going down by one shot to Walter Gill's.

The race between these two clubs for the right to play in the First Division next year should be one of the highlights of the concluding stages of the League programme. The Footballers now have the advantage of one point!

IN the Third Division, Kowloon B.C.C. seem fairly safe for the championship. From the same number of matches played, they are 6½ points ahead of the Indians. The only Club that has any chance of catching up with them is the Police. With three matches in hand, the guardians of the peace are 12½ points behind.

The Police juniors are playing well together these days and if they can

Basketball

Chinese Y.M.C.A. Narrowly Beat National University

Chinese Y.M.C.A. narrowly beat the National University, 35-29, in yesterday's two-game League basketball card. In the opener of which South China, as expected, had an easy victory over the Trojans, 61-13.

The second was by far the better of the two games, the University and the "Y" holding evenly matched sides, but that between South China and Trojans was much too one-sided to be of interest. Outstanding for South China were Ng Shun-chin (10), Chung Ling (10), Shek Chun-tai (12), Yip Ching-lee (12). High scorers for Trojans were H. O. Omand (7) and Poon Kwong-yin (4).

Fine Game
The other match was the highlight of the evening. Each team had their turn to score respectively and up to the end of the first half it was anybody's game, the scores being 18-17 in favour of the University.

National started with two successive goals but this was short lived when their opponents equalised. University went on to lead 10-6 but Y.M.C.A. took control up.

The second half saw Varsity again start with two goals, leaving Y.M.C.A. four behind. After this it was a ding-dong battle, each team taking every opportunity to score.

When the score reached 20-27 in favour of Y.M.C.A. things began to change and Y.M.C.A. broke through the then exhausted Varsity guards time and again until the score was 32-26. The game ended with the winners playing for time.

Chinese Y.M.C.A.	G	FG	Pts
Chan Sun-tai	4	2	8
Chan Shun-cho	2	1	4
Yu Shun-yun	2	2	4
Yip Fung-ling	2	1	4
Yu Shun-ling	1	1	2
Total	13	3	29

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Pun Kwok-ting	2	2	4
Chan Shun-cho	2	1	4
Ng Fook-kee	1	1	2
Wong Wai-hung	2	1	4
Chan Kwan-cho	1	1	2
Luk Tak-cheung	3	1	6
So Pak-fai	4	3	11
Total	15	5	35

keep their rinks intact, they have a very good chance of overhauling the Bowling Green. So far they have lost only two matches—both against the Indians.

CONTRARY to expectations, the quarter-final matches in the Open Rinks Championship played on Sunday were very close affairs.

In fact, one rink, J. Shepherd's, can consider themselves lucky to be still in the competition. W. J. Burling, skipping the only Civil Service rink left in the tournament, missed a glorious opportunity of getting into the penultimate round when, with his last-wood, he went wide and heavy.

And in the extra head, Shepherd obtained a single and B. W. Bradbury too were thought to have an easy passage into the quarter-finals against A. Hyde-Lay's rink, but they found the opposition on top of their game and they had to go all out to win by a single shot.

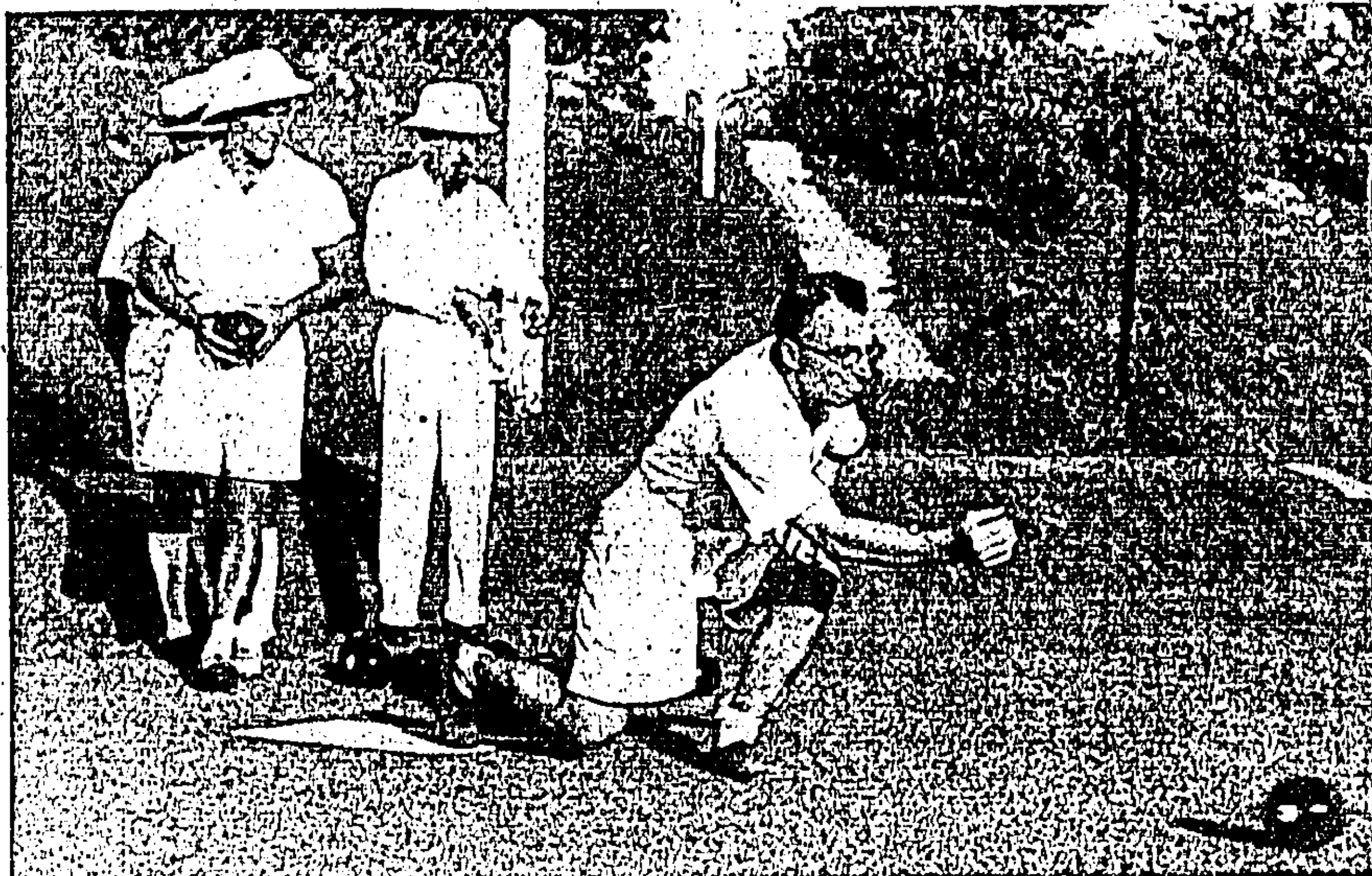
A. J. Hall's strong Kowloon B.C.C. rink, which put out one of the strongest Recreio rinks in the previous round with great ease, met another Recreio four led by Doc Gutierrez.

The opposition on this occasion seemed to be weaker on paper, but as so often happens, this turned out to be untrue in the actual play. In fact the Portuguese rink played so well that the issue was in doubt up to the last head.

The remaining match, played at Civil Service, resulted in a win by the rink led by M. R. Abbas over Tommy Pile's four by five shots. The game was very even at the start, but the I.R.C. men shot away into the lead in the middle stages and never looked back.

IT is understood that the quarter-final match between the rinks skipped by U. M. Omar and C. S. Recreio will be played on Sunday on the Kowloon F.C. green, starting at 4.30 p.m. This promises to be one of the best matches in the competition.

U. M. Omar's rink have had no luck in the draw so far, having had strong opposition in every round. If they win the championship, all bowlers will agree that they will have fully deserved the honour.



L. Sykes A. J. Hall's fine No. 1, bowling is the Rink quarter-final game at the Kowloon Cricket Cup yesterday. Standing behind are H. R. Pinna, A. M. Xavier and B. Basto.—Ming Yuen.

Quadrangular Gala At "Y" On August 21

At a meeting of the European Y.M.C.A. Swimming Committee yesterday, it was decided to hold an invitation quadrangular swimming contest on August 21, at 9 p.m. when Y.M.C.A. will be host to Royal Scots, Middlesex and Combined Small Units, including Signals.

Following is the programme:
50 yards.
Six-men medley team race (two backstroke, two breaststroke, two free-style).
Six-men 50 yards each relay.
Diving—One plain, one fancy, from each board (one over).
Fencing (individual)—one plunge.
Officers' 50 yards relay.
Women's 200 yards invitation relay (Victoria Recreation Club, Lal Tsin, Chinese Bathing Club, South China).
Women's 100 yards invitation medley relay (same teams as in free-style relay).
50 yards obstacle race.
Water-polo (two selected teams from the four competing teams).

Return Engagement
On the question of a return meeting with the Lal Tsin Swimming Union it was decided to reserve a date in the middle of September as Volunteer and Service men, and Y.M.C.A. and Colony championships will occupy the next four weeks.

Discussing the water-polo tournament, in which 115 games have been played and 67 are outstanding, it was decided that at the conclusion a Knock-out Tournament for probably eight teams be held.

The European Y.M.C.A. championships will take place this month. Entries close at 5 p.m. on August 19.

Hongkong F.C. Bowls Rinks

The following players have been chosen to represent the Hongkong F.C. in league bowls matches on Saturday:

2nd Div. v. Prison O.C. (home).—A. B. Coleman, J. D. Thomson, J. A. R. Selby and W. Gill. A. Mansell, C. Carr, A. Woodman and W. Macfarlane; B. P. Shaw, C. H. Robertson, A. Brooksbank and K. S. Robertson.

Friendly v. Kowloon C.C. (home).—T. H. Pearce, B. I. Blackford, C. Stephens and B. A. Mansell; C. Carr, A. Garton, K. Farrow and G. S. Graver; A. Haller, Russell, S. Strange and J. Hallett.

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Gala Of Exhibitions Planned By Chung Sing

For Kwangtung Relief Fund

AN ELABORATE swimming carnival will be held at the Chung Sing Benevolent Society's pavilion, Kennedy Town, on the evenings of August 16, 17 and 18, arranged by the Kwangtung Provincial Relief Committee, of which Mr Lau King-ting is the Chairman, to raise funds for relief of wounded soldiers and refugees in Kwangtung.

The Committee was established in Hongkong last year by General Li Hon-wan, the Kwangtung Provincial Governor, and has since then raised much money for relief work.

Invitations are being sent to prominent Colony swimmers and divers to take part in exhibitions at the gala, and added to this attraction there will be a fire dragon display.

The manipulators of the dragon have been specially engaged from Ho Tung, Kwangtung Province, and their skill in this direction is widely known amongst the Chinese. Another interesting item will be the forming of intricate "water specialities".

Prominent Competitors
Prominent swimmers who are being invited to take part in the exhibitions are Wong Chi-hung (Sing Tao), Miss Vivienne Chuen (V.R.C.), Miss Ho Wai-ling (C.B.C.), A. K. Rumliah (V.R.C.), Fung Wai-cheong (Y.M.C.A. Swimming Union), Lionel Rozz (V.R.C.), N. N. (Sing Tao), Fiddle de Rozz (V.R.C.), Tsui Hing (Eastern), Miss Li Po-luen (South China), and Wong King-wan and Koo Kai-kul (C.B.C.).

Ng Nin and Miss Churn will probably be seen on different days in an exhibition of the butterfly stroke over 50 metres.

The other exhibitions planned are: Wong Chi-hung, 50 metres free-style (Saturday); Miss Ho Wai-ling, 100 metres freestyle (Saturday); Fung Wai-cheong, 100 metres breast stroke (Saturday); Tsui Hing, 100 metres

free-style (Sunday); A. K. Rumliah, 100 metres back-stroke (Sunday); Miss Li Po-luen, 100 metres breast-stroke (Monday); and L. Rozz-Pereira, Eddie Rozz, Wong King-wan and Koo Kai-kul, fancy diving (Saturday and Monday).

Lau Kui-yuen, the Committee Chairman's young son, will give an exhibition of "duck swimming".

League Tennis

Craigengower Beat C.R.C. "A" In "C" Division

CRAIGENGOWER C.C. moved higher in the "C" Divisional table of the tennis league yesterday when they beat Chinese R.C. "A" by 6-3 at Causeway Bay. South China A.A., however, reign undefeated at the head of the table.

Despite the fine efforts of C. Wei and H. Chung, who won all three sets, C.R.C. "A" were unable to take another set.

Scores were:
C. Wei and H. Chung beat W. J. Howard and K. Lee 6-1; beat Y. H. Leung and S. Lee 6-4; beat J. W. Leonard and H. K. Lee 6-2.

H. N. Chau and N. C. Tang lost to Howard and Woo 2-6; lost to Leung and Lee 2-6; lost to Leonard and Lee 0-6.

Army v. Indians
Army beat Indians 3½-1½.

S/Set Emerson and S/Set Duffield beat M. P. Madar and M. Hassan 6-0; beat A. Rumliah and I. Kitchell 7-5; beat A. Rumliah and M. Hassan 6-0.

S/Set Webb and S/Set Denyer beat Madar and Hassan 6-3; beat Rumliah and Kitchell 6-2; beat Rumliah and Hassan 6-0.

S/Set Mason and S/Set Murray beat Madar and Hassan 6-2; drew with Rumliah and Kitchell 6-6; beat Rumliah and Hassan 6-1.

Chinese v. Kowloon
At Cox's Road Chinese R.C. "B" beat Kowloon 8-1.

D. Hazell and R. O. Baker lost to P. F. Choy and K. C. Ng 5-7; lost to P. K. Lau and M. C. Lam 5-6; beat L. F. Hon and C. W. Tsui 5-4.

A. V. Gillard and R. Kloss lost to Choy and Ng 4-6; lost to Lau and Lam 5-6; lost to Hon and Tsui 0-6.

N. G. Bebbington and W. Llewellyn lost to Choy and Ng 6-7; lost to Lau and Lam 1-6; lost to Hon and Tsui 3-6.

SPORTS ADVT.

HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB

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The 54th. Annual General Meeting of members will take place in the Club House on Friday, 15th. August, 1941, at 6 p.m.

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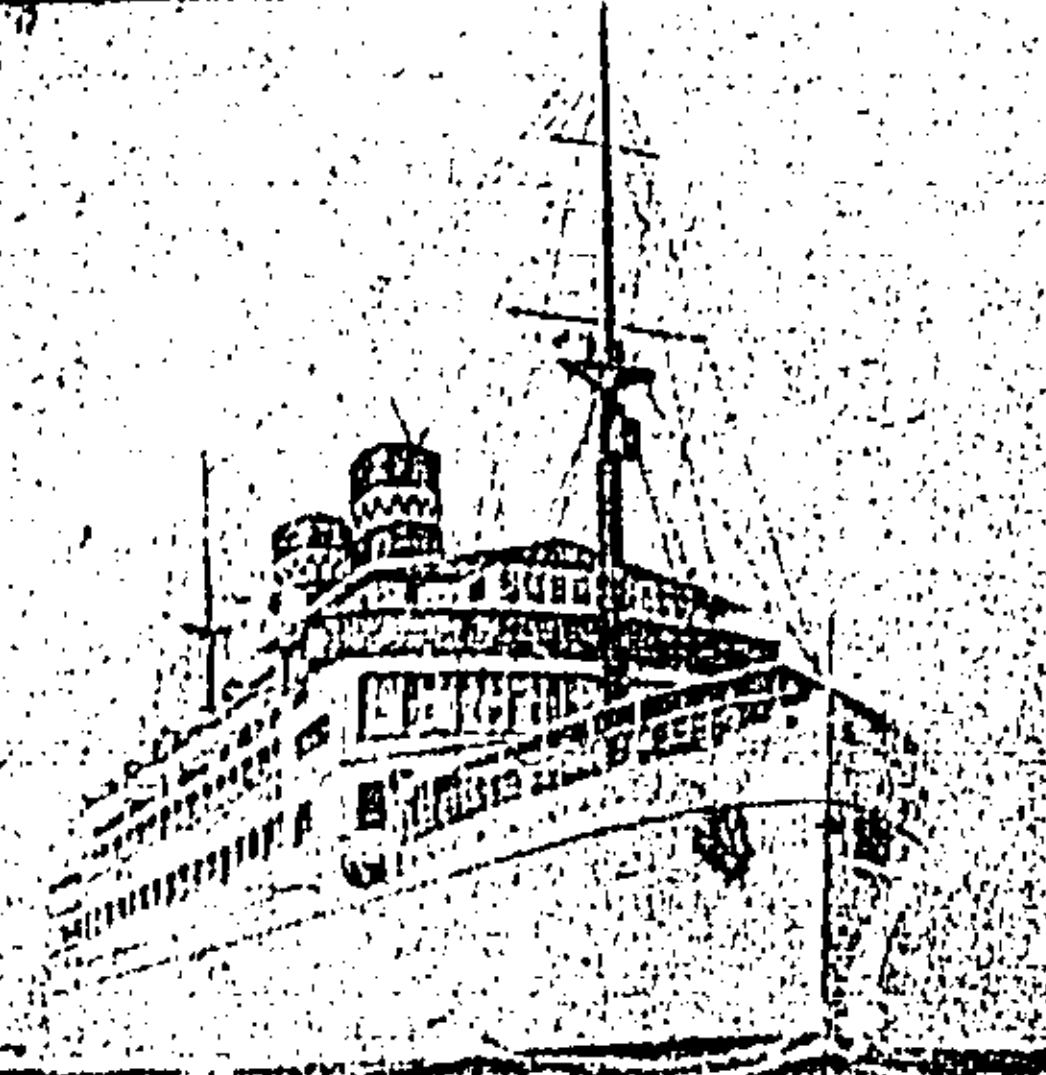
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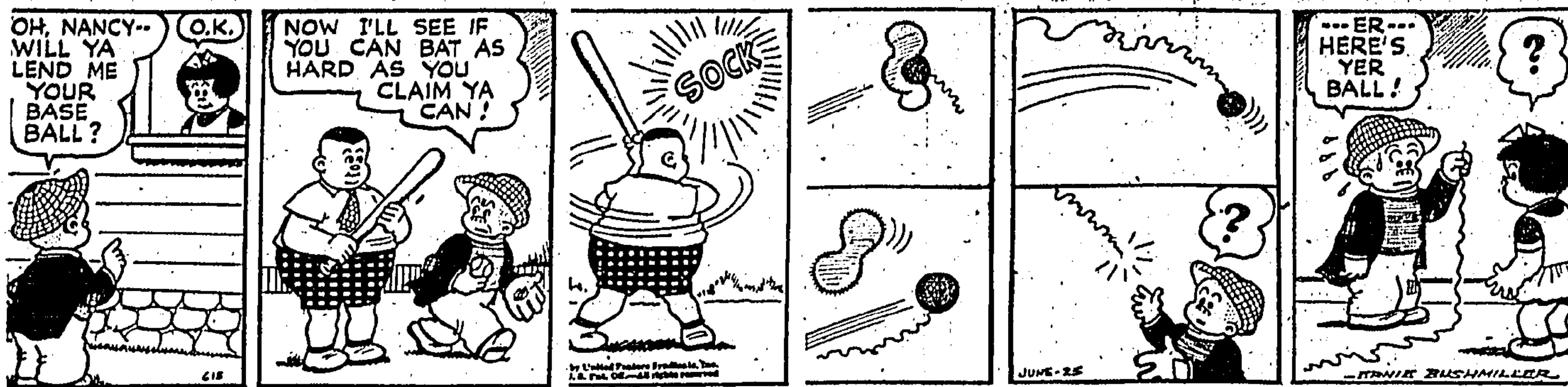
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U.S. OFFERS TOWNS FOR THE BOMBED

War-time towns for blitzed populations may be built in Britain with the help of United States money. One scheme already afoot is to "adopt" one of East London's worst bombed areas and construct a township, with emergency buildings housing 8,000 people.

Eminent Americans say there would be no difficulty in raising the £750,000 involved. But man-power and materials may present difficulties. The new town would be moved out to a safer area. The people would take their old community spirit and associations with them. They would be together instead of dispersed throughout reception areas.

Essential workers of the evacuated districts would be accommodated in such houses as remain. Hostels might be contrived, and they would spend their "leave" with their families at the new township.

One proposal to expedite the plan is that bricks and materials, including doors, window frames, and sanitary equipment salvaged from the blitzed district should be used to build the new homes.

Should this scheme go through, Americans think it possible that United States cities would adopt bombed districts in a big way, and, if the shipping situation allowed, send over complete factory-made houses in sections, in a similar way to the hospital which Harvard University shipped.

Hutments For Homeless

Most important of all arguments for some such scheme is that there will have to be a widespread extension of hutments for bombed-out workers.

Belfast has already taken steps. It is seeking to disperse some of its key population and minimise casualties by creating settlements outside the town, away from the target area.

Workers would be transported night and morning. This is what people familiar with blitzed towns have been pressing on the authorities as necessary throughout Britain.

Hut settlements should have as their centre some big mansion-house suitable for communal feeding and other social interests.

Lady Hambro Fined

Currency Offences

Lady (Marjorie H.) Hambro, widow of Major-General Sir Percy O.W. Hambro, of Egerton Gardens, S.W., was at Bow Street Police Court recently fined £20 on each of three summonses and ordered to pay £20 costs for failing to cause to be offered for sale to the Treasury Canadian dollars worth £317.

Four other similar summonses were withdrawn by the prosecution. The Magistrate, Mr. H. McKenna, said there did not seem to be any reason why she should not accept the explanation that there had been something in the nature of a mistake. There was no evidence on which he ought to find that Lady Hambro was intending deliberately to do what was irregular, unpatriotic, and dishonest. She seemed to have thought that she had done everything that was required, and it came as a surprise to her that her instructions left uncovered anything which she ought to have dealt with. She had not offended of deliberate purpose.

Anaesthetic In A New Form

A new anaesthetic device, which automatically makes available vapours from liquid anaesthetic, has been perfected in the Nuffield Department of Anaesthetics, at Oxford University.

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Guardsmen In Church Door Scene

"I would rather go into the guard room under close arrest than enter church."

That is what Grenadier Guardsman Ernest J. Whitehead is alleged to have replied when his commanding officer ordered him, while on church parade, to enter the Guards' chapel.

Whitehead appeared before a field court-martial at Chelsea S.W., recently.

The commanding officer said that at the church door he asked Whitehead: "Are you an atheist?"

Whitehead replied: "No, not exactly."

Asked whether he were Church of England, Whitehead said: "When you join the Army you usually put down something, so I put down Church of England."

Whitehead said he sometimes used to wait outside the church door while the service was on.

He had now applied for his religion to be changed.

Italians Frightened By Anzac "Beheading Custom"

According to the Italian Radio Station I.E.M., Australian night patrols from Tobruk behead their prisoners, and take the heads with pride to their commanders, says a report in the Sydney "Morning Herald."

This is an old Australian custom, adds the report. The custom was begun by "famous ancestors who paid—£1 a head—for native heads."

According to this Italian station, a German aviator, after having been cross-examined in the usual way by Australians, was slowly murdered with a stick. An Italian airman who fell into the British lines was flung into the furnace of his plane.

The source of these stories is given as an Australian soldier who had been taken prisoner. After these stark revelations, according to the broadcast, the Australian, fearing that he had said too much, became completely dumb and insisted that he had not been present at any of these events.

The broadcast was picked up at Army Headquarters in Melbourne recently.

Story Not Approved

"The Australian, apparently tired of trivial tales about kangaroo feathers and other standard fictions, and having no post-office to sell his captors, told them a war story instead," says the Department of Information, commenting on the broadcast.

Repeated humorously by the Department of Information the story

Volcano Active Near Rabaul

Fearing that Malape volcano, a few miles from Rabaul, which is now active, may become more violent, many residents have stocked their cars with tins of petrol ready to vacate the town.

It is reported that on June 6 pumice dust was rising to 2,000 feet. There had been a gradual increase in the temperature of the volcano in the last six months, and sulphur fumes had increased.

On May 6, it was reported from Rabaul that the crater of Taruvur volcano had blown out, but the eruption caused no damage.

By Ernie Bushmiller



CHURCH AND STATE AGREE—An act ending the traditional friction between the church and state in Mexico is this baptism by Archbishop Martinez, head of the Mexican Catholic Church, of Senator Locona's daughter, at Mexico City. General Maximino Camacho, brother of the President is godfather. He is standing rear of the cleric.

Sailor Fined For Talking About Ship's Movements

Lawrence Sneyd, who said he had come to Australia as master-at-arms in a British liner, was fined £10 in the Central Summons Court, Sydney, recently for having gossiped in a city services canteen about the movements of his ship, the number of troops it might be carrying, and its destination.

Sneyd was charged under the National Security (General) Regulations with having communicated information which might be useful to the enemy. Mr. G. J. O'Sullivan, for the Crown, said there was no suggestion of subversive activities.

In addition to the fine, Mr. Goldie, ordered Sneyd to enter into a bond of £10 to comply with the regulations of the National Security Act.

Mr. O'Sullivan said Sneyd's conversations in the canteen had been reported by two women voluntary helpers. Sneyd had asked one woman in what unit her soldier husband was, and had offered to tell her where her husband would be going. She had refused to listen.

Sneyd had said, "I have never been so insulted in my life. Only—Australians would insult me like this."

Sneyd said in court that he was "sorry from the bottom of his heart." He had talked in the canteen "in good feeling" as he had never met such charming people before, and had found the canteen "like going home."

TEXAN'S GIFT TO CHURCHILL

A Texas farmer, Ferrell Windham, has sent Mr. Churchill a cheque for 25s., with a letter saying: "Dear Winston, No scrap iron this time, and darned little money, but of the latter I give you the biggest part, as it seems you have hit it hard in the Balkans. Should you run short just let me know by radio and I'll see what I can do."

Executed For Listening To Foreign News

The first execution in Germany for listening to foreign broadcasts was carried out at Nuremberg recently, reports "The Times." The victim was Johann Wild, born in 1892, and the death sentence stated that the condemned man had passed on to others the information which he had acquired.

It is reported from Poland that a Polish housemaid, aged 44, was sentenced to death in Grudziadz on May 18 for having listened to B.B.C. broadcasts from London during her employer's absence. Five other persons, to whom she confided the news thus obtained, received sentences ranging from five to 10 years' imprisonment.

The presiding German judge commented on this occasion that these broadcasts have become a serious menace to German rule in Poland and had to be combated in a most rigorous manner.

Three Germans have been sentenced to terms of imprisonment varying between three and five years for a similar offence, after it was disclosed that they had been listening to London broadcasts about Rudolf Hess.



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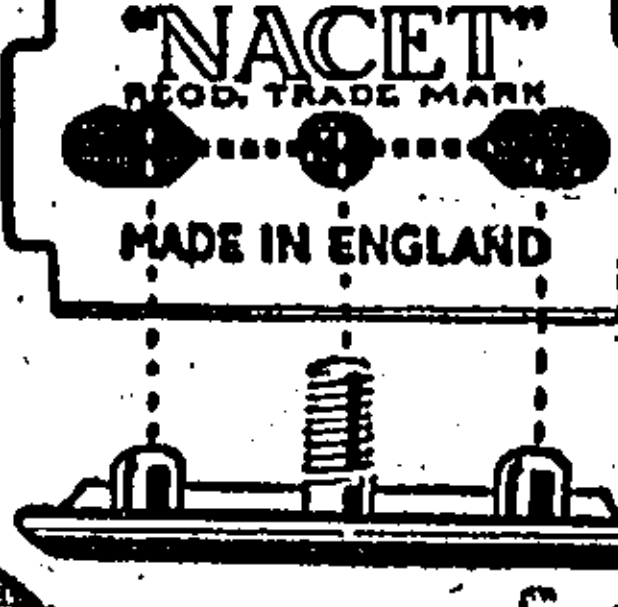
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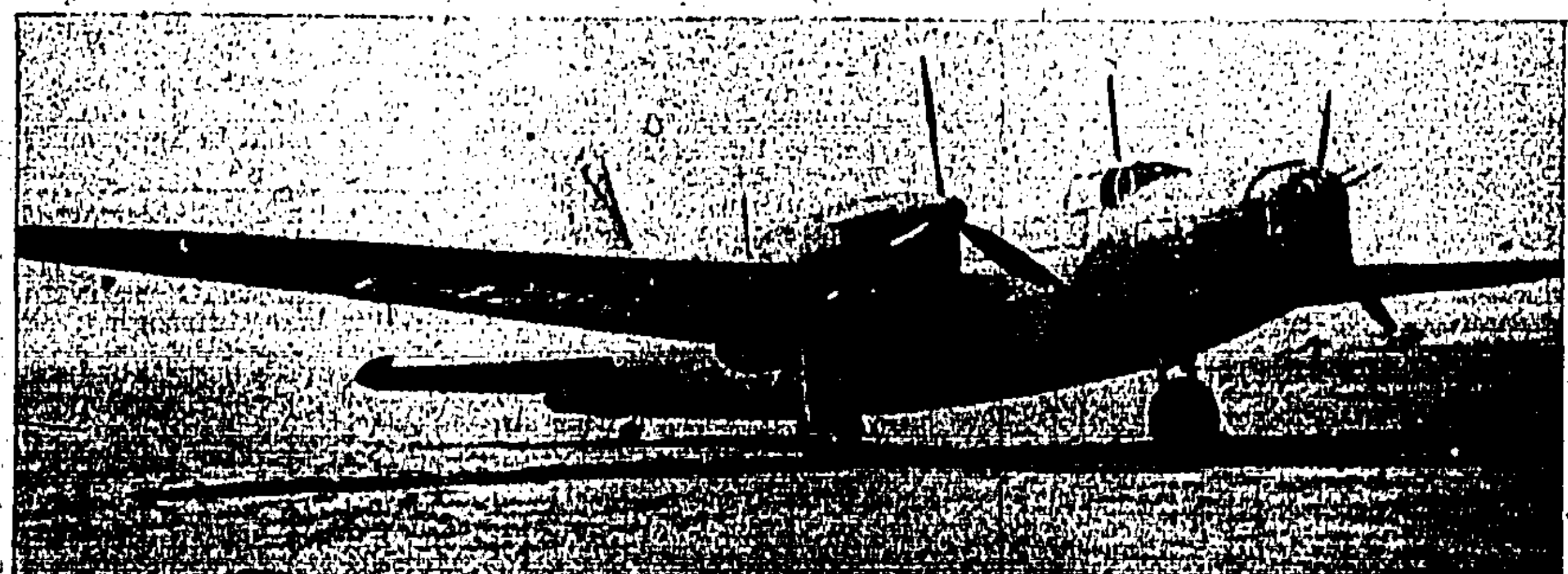
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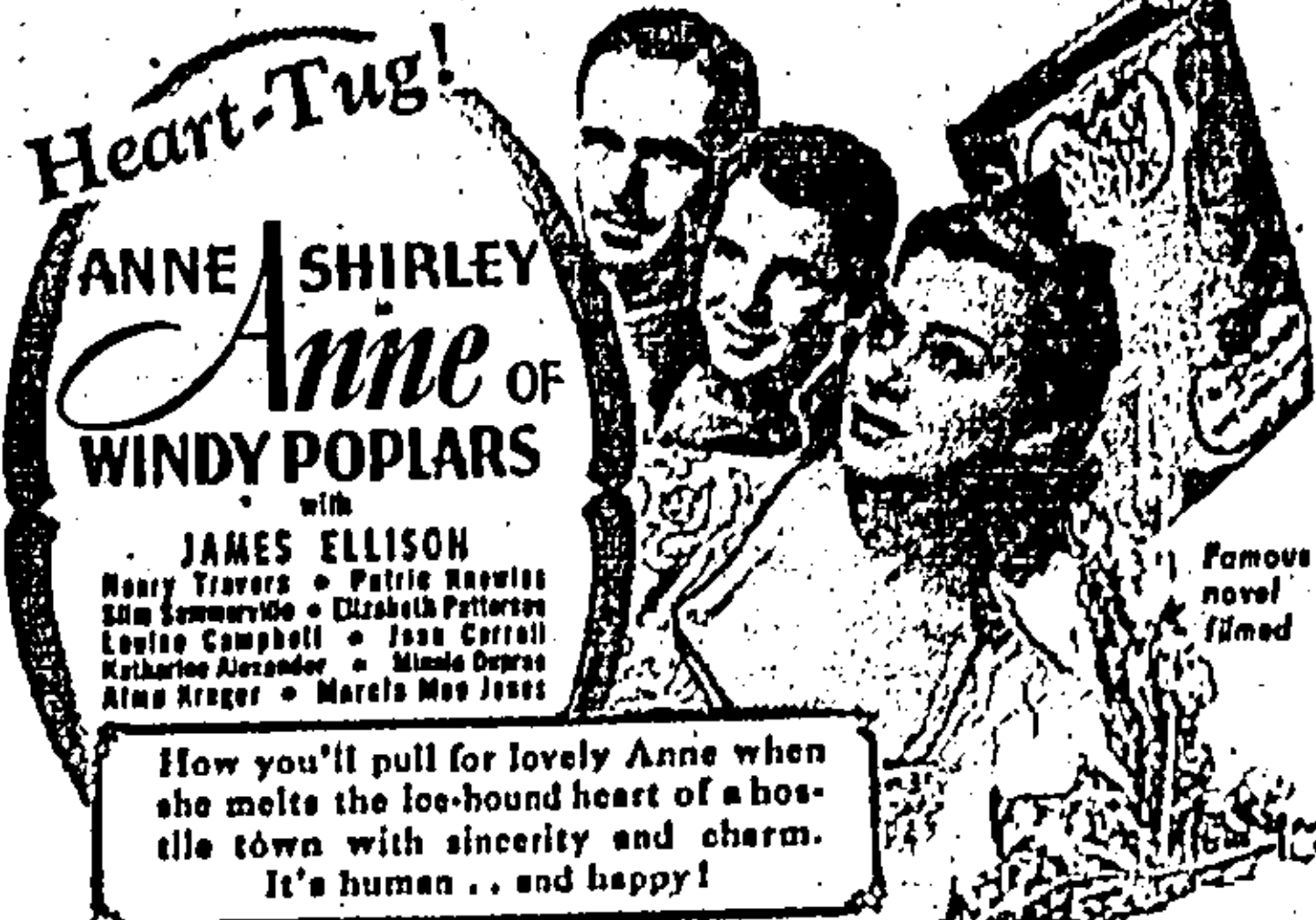
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Yesterday the Chinese population of Hongkong quietly observed the fourth anniversary of the start of the Shanghai hostilities. Here is a young patriot bathing during the drive. Picture was snapped at one of the Chinese bathing clubs. (Photo: New China Newsphotos.)

Film Was Banned, Now A Triumph

Over a year ago the British Film Censor banned in advance "Love on the Dole" as "most undesirable" and "unacceptable."

Months later he relented. It has turned out one of the finest British pictures ever made.

"I congratulate author Walter Greenwood on refusing to give it a happy ending, and on discovering, in 10-year-old blonde Deborah Kerr, a wonderful new screen actress, as good as Wendy Hiller was in the stage version," writes the "Daily Herald" film correspondent.

"This scathing, bitter, yet hopeful, story of Manchester slum life, presented as 'one of the dark pages of industrial history,' is full of humour as well as tragedy."

"The death in a riot of a young member of the Salford Labour Party, and the poverty that forces a young girl to become a bookmaker's mistress, are leavened by rich character work."

"The cast includes George Cargoy, Geoffrey Higgitt, Mary Merrall, Maureen O'Neill and Clifford Evans. "It is a social document eloquent of democracy's freedom to criticise itself, and makes an urgent demand for a better post-war world."

Extra Coupons For Brides

Ration Not Enough
Brides may be allowed a few extra clothing coupons in Britain. This was hinted by a Board of Trade official at Leicester when it was pointed out that 60 coupons were not sufficient to carry a bride through 12 months.

Mr D. H. C. Tonks, who represented the Board of Trade, said that the position had dropped up recently. It was now under careful consideration.

Mr Tonks spoke at a joint meeting of the Leicester Chamber of Commerce and Chamber of Trade. He promised to raise with the Board of Trade a suggestion that retailers should be allowed to sell holiday clothes, shoes and sportswear without coupons rather than allow them to become "frozen."

Sports Wear
It was pointed out that there were millions of pounds worth of holiday clothes, shoes and sportswear in the centres of cities liable to bombing and they were being "frozen" by the rationing scheme.

"These things must be sold now otherwise they will be out of season," one member said, "and many people will be financially ruined."

Mr Tonks said he was not in a position to give an answer straight away, but would raise the matter at the Board of Trade.

Nurses uniform is also under consideration. A nurse going into hospital service requires at least 80 coupons—14 more than her year's allowance to fit her out.

Sarajoglu Dines With British Ambassador
ANKARA, Aug. 13 (Reuters).—Sir Hugh Knatchbull Hugessen, British Ambassador to Turkey, entertained Mr. Sarajoglu, Foreign Minister, and four other Cabinet Ministers on Wednesday.

Daring German Pilot Joined R.A.A.F. Flight

While three planes down by R.A.A.F. pilots were circling an aerodrome in England during night flying practice, a German pilot, unrecognised, joined in the circuit.

At only 1,000 ft. he switched on his navigation lights, and completed one lap, then dropped two sticks of bombs, and cleared off.

This is related in letters from Sgt. Pilot R. L. Barrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Barrett, of Unley, who has been reported missing in air operations.

Sgt. Pilot Barrett said that a Junkers plane which was trying the same feat a few weeks before became too daring, and tried to make a landing.

He "piled up" his undercarriage, and the crew was captured.

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affirmed Britain's friendship with Turkey and repudiated suggestions of enemy origin that we might make some arrangement at Turkey's expense. Britain, said Mr. Eden, would continue to observe—loyally—the Anglo-Turkish treaty, believing that the friendship between this country and Turkey would be a lasting contribution to European understanding both during and after the war.

Blow To Nazis

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuters).—The Anglo-Soviet declaration to Turkey is a severe blow to German intrigues and hopes in the near East. Its importance lies in the fact that not merely have great Britain and Soviet Russia jointly undertaken to help Turkey against any attack by the Axis, but Turkey has accepted and warmly welcomed this guarantee.

It is not only amounts to a renewal of the Turko-British Treaty but is a virtual re-insurance with the endorsement of Soviet Russia.

Thus, instead of inducing Turkey to denounce her mutual obligations with Great Britain, Germany, in spite of all her pressure and propaganda, sees these obligations reaffirmed by Great Britain, supported by Soviet Russia and accepted with appreciation by Turkey.

Issues Clarified
The Anglo-Russian declarations give the lie in a most effective and emphatic manner to German insinuations regarding Russian designs on the Straits of the Dardanelles, by which Germany has attempted to poison relations, not only between Turkey and Russia, but between Britain and Turkey as well.

The declarations constitute a striking example of intimate collaboration between the two countries and prepare the way for even closer relations with Turkey. The present step is only the beginning.

They also indicate the new spirit governing Russian foreign policy which has recently been manifested in the Russian-Polish Pact, in agreement with the Czech Government, and in the promise of Soviet support and free and equal collaboration with all independent nations resisting Hitlerite aggression.

U. S. ARMS IN SOUTH PACIFIC

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Aug. 13 (Domei).—The United States arms exports to the South Pacific jumped from 50 to 200 per cent as compared with the first quarter of last year, the "Chung Shing" correspondent in Shanghai reports.

The United States has been sending nothing but war materials to the South Pacific, the paper points out. This clearly indicates to what extent the United States is extending aid to the British defences in the Far East. United States exports of essential war materials during the first quarter of this year increased by 50 per cent to British India, 58 per cent to Hongkong, 139 per cent to Burma and 238 per cent to Malaya.

The United States imported during the period U.S.\$90,735,000 of raw materials from these regions, the report asserts.

Polish Pilot Wants Mascot

But Got In Trouble

A superstitious Polish Sgt. Pilot, seeking a mascot, saw an Aylesbury duck swimming on a pond at an airport, where he was stationed. To him the duck meant luck, and though it belonged to a police constable, he took it away with him.

The pilot, who recently shot down a German plane, was charged with stealing the duck, valued at 12s. The constable told the Bench that he took it away as a mascot.

An officer who acted as the sergeant's interpreter said that Polish airmen were very superstitious and liked mascots. He did not think the sergeant intended to steal the duck. The case was dismissed on payment of 5s. costs, which one of the magistrates offered to pay "in view of the fact that he shot down a German plane."

Far East Convoys Arrive Safely

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end of their term of duty but are reinforcements needed to staff new aerodromes now in operation in Malaya and Burma. Most of these men come from important bomber, fighter and coastal stations in Britain and all have first-hand experience of day and night air war. Their knowledge of active war is an immense help to those with whom they are now working.

LATE NEWS

U.S. Warplanes May Defend Hongkong

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shock of tumbled sandy hair. Muddy shoes and burrs on his socks suggested a strenuous day in the open with his troops.

Liked Him Instantly
I liked him instantly. And so does everyone I've talked to about him—especially military men. He's a man's man, a soldier's soldier, who isn't afraid to dirty his hands. A man to inspire confidence; and the man necessary to counterbalance civilian Hongkong's ostrichism.

I asked him what he thought of Hongkong, and he chances if war came to her doorstep. A military man, he answered in military terms: "Hongkong has the greatest concentration of guns in the British Empire—of all types, from the biggest of large-calibre coastal defence guns to high-altitude anti-aircraft guns. And from what I've heard during my rounds of inspections, I can say that I am more than satisfied with the degree of efficiency, training and accuracy of fire of the gunners in their practice shoots. More than pleased, too, with the men themselves, who are mostly seasoned troops of extraordinary high morale."

"I'm confident," he concluded, "that we'll put up a jolly good show, come what may."

Two Important Weapons
Well, in my opinion, blitzkrieg war has proven the value of two important weapons—the tank and the warplane. For Hongkong, the principal part of which is built on a comparatively small island of steep-sided hills, the tank is immediately ruled out.

But with Japanese aerodromes in occupied Chinese territory only minutes' distant by air, the threat of an air-blitz, here, should the balloon go up, is a grim one indeed.

Apparently, Hongkong has no air force stationed here to meet this threat. The Nipponese, however, are suspicious of this. All signs here point clearly to a British determination to defend this place strongly—threat or no threat of Japanese blitzkrieging planes.

In Singapore some weeks ago, Air Vice-Marshal Pulford, Commanding the R.A.F. in the Far East, commented on Britain's air power in Malaya. Said he: "Do not imagine the air force here is solely for the defence of Singapore. In the last year or so we have completed a chain of military aerodromes that stretch to the northern frontiers of Malaya; and in Burma, to the frontiers of China."

Japanese May Get Surprise
Now, I have a pretty good idea that in the last few months literally hundreds of American warplanes—Lend-Lease stuff—have been pouring into Malaya and Burma, and mysteriously disappearing "count."

I now return you to NBC.

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northern Estonia, but are being hampered by tens of thousands of civil refugees, including men, women and children. The refugees are mostly Communists from other battle countries and are homeless. They are reported to be constituting a great handicap to the fighting Soviet troops and are a heavy drain as far as supplies are concerned.

Well informed circles believe that the fall of Tallinn is now imminent as a great many refugees are impeding military operations.

"Nothing Important"
(BY "EXETER" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Aug. 14.—Nothing important occurred "on the war fronts, yesterday," was the reply given by the Soviet military headquarters in Moscow to-day to German claims of a sweeping advance in the Ukraine.

It would be absurd for the Russians to use such phrases if something very important had happened and the absence of new place names in to-day's Soviet communiques is a clear indication, in view of past Soviet practice, that there has been no advance by the main German forces.

Grain Stocks
This does not mean that advance German units may not again have ventured to push ahead, possibly towards Nikolai, the Black Sea port 70 miles northwest of Odessa, whose gigantic silos doubtless conjure up for the Germans visions of vast grain stocks.

Actually there is every reason to suppose that in accordance with M. Stalin's policy, the Russians would move this grain inland if Nikolai were seriously threatened, which is not yet the case. At all events, should a strategic retreat be necessary, the Russians can afford, after the harvest has been gathered, to abandon part of the Ukrainian farmland and may be expected to take up strong positions inside the bend of the Dnieper which from an industrial point, it would be very important to preserve.

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WHITEAWAY'S

Far East Convoys Arrive Safely

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The safe arrival of all convoys in the Far East during the past few months without the loss of a single officer or airman by enemy action is announced by the Air Ministry.

This is a great tribute to the vigilance and efficiency of the escorting warships and aircraft, which passed on the convoys one to the other throughout the 10,000-mile journey.

The convoys carried many thousands to swell the ranks of the R.A.F. in the Far East. The voyage from a northern port in Britain of one liner and her arrival in Singapore a few days ago with a large number of officers and men was typical of many voyages of this year by other convoys.

It was the second liner to arrive in Singapore during the last fortnight. "We have not had the smell of a U-boat or a Condor (German long-range bomber) since," was the comment of one officer on arrival.

Warship Escorts

"Of course we had warships mothering us the whole time and in some areas of the route we were continuously protected from air attack or lurking submarines by escorting Blenheims, Hudsons or Sunderlands."

"In fact, the journey was so peaceful and comfortable that we might have been travelling in pre-war days. For although the voyage was long and rather tedious, especially in the Tropics, it was a comfortable passage and entirely without incident."

Additional Personnel

These officers and airmen are not replacing others going home at the TURN to Back Page, Column 3

Far Eastern Situation Discussed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—British, Australian, Canadian and United States officials to-day discussed the Far Eastern situation at a conference in the office of Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

Among the principals was Mr. Duff Cooper who is enroute to Singapore. Ostensibly the occasion was for the exchange of ratifications of three supplementary treaties for conciliation and the advancement of peace among the United States, Canada, New Zealand and Australia. After the ratifications, the group discussed Japan's role in the Far East and other matters.

Mr. Hull, the Canadian Charge d'Affaires, Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador representing New Zealand and Mr. Richard Casey, the Australian Minister exchanged treaties which will establish a Commission to conciliate any disputes.

Funeral of Bdr. D. E. Smith

The funeral took place yesterday with military honours of Bdr. D. E. Smith of the Hongkong Volunteers who was killed when a searchlight lorry, returning from manoeuvres at Cape d'Aguilar overturned on a steep hillside. This photograph was taken at the graveside.—Ming Yuen.



REDS COUNTER-ATTACK: CITY "N" RECAPTURED & NAZI FORCES ROUTED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, AUG. 13 (UP).—THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT THE RUSSIANS HAVE STARTED A COUNTER-OFFENSIVE ON THE UKRAINE FRONT. ACCORDING TO A MESSAGE FROM THE FRONT, THE RUSSIANS "COUNTER-ATTACKED LOCALLY AND RECAPTURED A CITY WITH THE INITIAL 'N'. FOLLOWING ARTILLERY PREPARATIONS, RED DIVISIONS AND TWO BATTALIONS OF FIELD ARTILLERY, AND TOOK CONSIDERABLE BOOTY, AT THE SAME TIME COMPELLING THE ENEMY TO RETREAT."

ASSURANCES TO TURKEY

Allies Blast Nazi Hopes

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Britain and Russia have promised full aid to Turkey if she is attacked by a European power, writes "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent. This latest dramatic turn in the international situation was made known on Tuesday night with an announcement that declarations in identical terms had been presented by both countries to the Turkish Foreign Office.

The declarations make it clear that both Britain and Russia intend to remain faithful to the Montreux Convention and have no aggressive intentions or claims regarding the Straits.

At various periods during this war, Turkey has been subjected to some pressure by other nations, which, if it had succeeded, would have cut across her understandings with Britain.

Turkish Loyalty

At every junction, however, Turkey has asserted her loyalty to all her obligations to Britain and her allies, and even when she signed the trade agreement with Germany some months ago she made clear that it had no effect upon her treaty with Britain.

Many attempts have been made in German and Italian propaganda drives to separate Turkey from Britain but none have succeeded in providing the desired wedge.

"Turkey is our friend and ally. The Turkish Government have kept us fully informed of the progress of recent negotiations with the German Government," declared Mr. Anthony Eden in Parliament last June, and it was only last week again in the House of Commons that Mr. Eden returned to Back Page, Column 3

180,000 Troops For Indo-China

Report On Japanese Preparations

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—A correspondent in Saigon says that Japan is planning to station 180,000 men in Indo-China. Most of them will be concentrated in Western Cambodia adjoining the Thai border.

He says that foreign observers believe that as soon as Japan feels that she is prepared for any counter-attacks, Japanese troops will enter Thailand.

Truculent Spokesman

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—A most truculent statement was made by a Japanese naval spokesman today. He said that this was not the time to fuss over whether Japan should enter the war; the present was only the calm before the storm.

"There is a limit to our patience," he said, "and when that is reached there will be an explosion. Hostile nations who under-estimate Japan's strength are inviting unpleasant surprises."

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The King has sent a message of sympathy to Lady Willingdon.

A New York summary of the fighting says that the Russo-British aerial offensive has been intensified while military operations on the Russo-German front experienced a comparative lull. However, the Germans claim advances along the Black Sea coast of the Ukraine, following the encirclement of Odessa, from which point the Russians are reported to be evacuating by sea.

A London War Office report declared that the Russo-German losses are prodigious and he asserted that the outcome of the campaign depends upon Germany's ability to retain the initiative and Russia's power to replace the losses in men and materials.

TWO HOUR RAID ON BERLIN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced to-day that very heavy British bombers, comprising Wellingtons, Manchesteres, Stirlings and Halifaxes, raided Berlin for two hours last night where they encountered one of the worst barrages ever previously faced.

Hundreds of searchlights in massed groups of 30 to 40 followed the bombers through the sky.

Berlin messages say that final reports show that 40 British planes were shot down during the 24 hours ending 7 a.m. to-day including 20 bombers, of which several were the four-motored types. No German losses were reported.

Southern Italy Attacked

CAIRO, Aug. 13 (UP).—R.A.F. bombers successfully attacked the chemical works at Acrolonne, southern Italy, on August 11. Many direct hits greatly damaged the storage tanks and all objectives were a flaming mass when the aircraft departed. Military buildings at Cariani were also demolished.

Bad Weather

LONDON, Aug. 13 (British Wire).—An Air Ministry communique states: "In spite of bad weather last night, aircraft of the Bomber Command made heavy attacks on Germany over a wide area. The main targets were objectives in Berlin, industries in Magdeburg and Hanover districts and the Krupp works at Essen."

"In Berlin, large fires which were started were increasing their hold when our aircraft left and much damage was also done in the other attacks."

Objectives were also bombed at many other places in Germany, including Scetlin, Kiel, Bremen, Cambrück, Dulsberg and Cologne. Aerodromes in Holland and docks at Le Havre were also attacked.

"From all these operations 13 bombers are missing."

Fighter Command

"Fighter Command aircraft attacked an enemy aerodrome in occupied territory."

"Aircraft of the Coastal Command on patrol off the Norwegian coast during the night attacked shipping, harbours and aerodromes."

Giving details of the raids on Germany, the Air Ministry stated that in almost all areas heavy cloud and bad weather were encountered. The badness of the weather kept the bombers over Berlin for a long time, looking for targets. One of the worst barrages yet encountered faced them.

MATSUOKA'S NEW JOB

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, former Japanese Foreign Minister, has been appointed Japan's new envoy to French Indo-China, according to an unconfirmed Rome Radio report.

From Moscow comes a report that a large Red army detachment which was encircled by the Germans in the early days of the war have battled for 32 days and have broken through on a wide front where they rejoined the Soviet troops.

A dispatch from the front stated that hundreds of men who were encircled, routed and killed 3,000 Germans and seized 300 munition trucks and motor cycles.

The Red detachment which the Germans had designated "a wild Bolshevik division" had carried out numerous raids in the German rear, wrecked supply lines and seized prisoners.

Two Divisions Routed

Another Moscow report declares that it is officially reported that one S.S. (Black Shirt) division was routed and that the 68th Nazi Infantry division was annihilated in recent fighting.

Red troops attacked frontally and on both flanks of the Germans who occupied a raid junction and pushed back the S.S. division after many days of battle, destroying two battalions.

Two days later the Nazis brought up reinforcements and the 68th TURN to Back Page, Column 5

SOUTH AMERICAN TROUBLE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

QUITO, Aug. 13 (UP).—A communique issued to-day says that Peruvian land and air forces attacked and took Zapotillo on the border between Peru and Ecuador on August 11 but later retired.

Confirmed

LIMA, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Foreign Office to-day stated that two Peruvians and eight Ecuadorians were killed and five Ecuadorians taken prisoner near Zapotillo. Twelve Ecuadorian officers were captured near Roca Fuerte. The Ecuadorians attacked at both places.

Harrison Forman Interviews G.O.C.

U.S. Warplanes May Defend Hongkong

Mr. Harrison Forman, prominent N.B.C. commentator gave another broadcast to the United States from ZBW this morning, when he described an interview he had had with the G.O.C., Major-General C. M. Maltby, who spoke confidently of the G.O.C.'s defences. Mr. Forman also referred to American warplanes which are "mysteriously disappearing up country," and hazarded the opinion that should Japan attack Hongkong she might discover squadrons of these planes suddenly appearing at their backs from "somewhere in Free China."

The text of Mr. Forman's broadcast follows:

Hello, NBC. This is Harrison Forman speaking from Hongkong, China; on the opposite side of the globe from most of you in America. It's exactly ten minutes to nine in the morning here—Thursday morning.

Yesterday I called upon the newly-arrived General Officer Commanding

U.S. To Establish Main Atlantic Naval Base

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Senate Appropriations Committee to-day approved plans to make Kles, Puerto Rico, the main Atlantic naval base, "comparable to Pearl Harbor," by allocating \$21,970,000 for the work.

Captain E. G. Allen, urging approval of the item declared, "We have never had a proper fleet base in the Caribbean. In the first place, there was no suitable area in the Caribbean that has enough water in it to place the whole United States fleet, except that of an anchorage."

The Committee also approved \$15,000,000 for a "protective fleet anchorage" at Trinidad—one of the bases leased from Britain.

MENZIES' PLACE DURING CRISIS

SYDNEY, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—It is essential for Australia to have permanent representation in the London Cabinet because her future, as never before, depends on Imperial policy and strategy, said Sir Earle Page, Minister of Commerce, in a statement to-day. He added that the disposition of Empire forces is of supreme importance to her security.

HIGH COST OF LIVING INQUIRY

Mr. E. P. Streatfield, Accountant of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and Mr. J. Smith, Chief Engineer of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, made statements at the fourth meeting of the High Cost of Living Committee held in the Chambers of Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall, the Chairman, yesterday at 5.30 p.m.

Mr. Streatfield told of what his Corporation had done with regard to giving their dollar-paid employees a high cost of living allowance.

A statement was also made to the Committee by Mr. Smith, particularly with regard to the position of the daily, weekly and monthly paid employees in the workshops.

The Committee are continuing to receive statistics from various sources showing the rise in the cost of living since December 1940.

The statements submitted by the various junior members of the Service are now being circulated to the members of the Committee and at the meeting at 4 p.m. on Monday next it will be decided which of these officials the Committee will call before them to give evidence.

It is hoped to finish the taking of evidence by the end of next week.

New Lend And Lease Bill

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—Well informed circles said to-day that a new Lend and Lease bill of about six billion dollars would be submitted to Congress shortly after President Roosevelt returns to the White House.

It is understood that a substantial part will be allocated for the purchase of food supplies and the remainder, mostly for heavy and medium bombers, ammunition and artillery.

Australia's voice in London must be authoritative but at the same time the Government must be carried on in Australia. Proposals which Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Prime Minister, is submitting to Parliament will remove doubts on that score.

Mr. Menzies is the best man to represent Australia.

Much depends on Australia showing a bold united front when Parliament meets. The psychological effect of a demonstration of national solidarity must be immense, he concluded.

Opposition

SYDNEY, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—While the Labour Opposition leader, Mr. John Curtin, has not yet committed himself on the proposal that the Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, should go to London for war consultation, his Deputy Federal High Court Justice Dr. H. W. Evatt and Mr. J. A. Beasley, who comprise the Labour representation on the Federal War Council, announce their opposition to Mr. Menzies' departure for London.

Their opposition is based on the ground that Mr. Menzies' place is in Australia at this critical time.

Several New South Wales members of the Federal Parliament also oppose the proposal.

Cabinet Business

MELBOURNE, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Australian War Cabinet to-day considered matters of high policy in consultation with the service chiefs. They also further discussed the Far Eastern situation and later reviewed soldiers' pay.

Mr. P. C. Spender, Minister for War, announced that allotments to dependents of missing soldiers would be payable for six months after soldiers are reported missing.

There was a wide discussion on the procedure to implement the Cabinet request that Mr. Menzies should proceed to London and it is expected that it will be further considered in a War Council meeting on August 14.

It is probable also that the resolution will be submitted to both Houses of Parliament separately.

The support of a large majority of the labour caucus is expected, although interest at the moment is centred on sessional Party meetings.

ANOTHER \$5,000 FROM 'BLOW-INS'

Another cheque for \$5,000 has been sent to the Bomber Fund from the Fellowship of the Bellows, thus bringing the total subscribed to date to \$35,000.

The Receiver of Windfalls informs us that the "Blow-Ins" for July have not been as promptly remitted as in previous months, but this he attributes to the effect of the hot spell. He requests us to express the hope that the weather will not be permitted to interfere with the activity of members.

Incidentally, this latest windfall for the Bomber Fund brings the total to within only \$14,000 of the \$250,000 mark.

Important Statement By Mr. Attlee

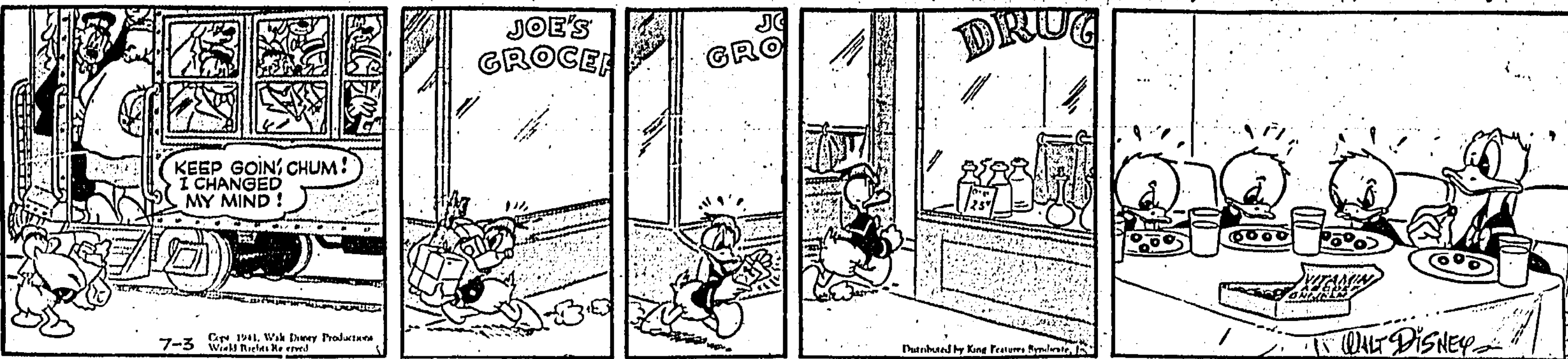
LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Clement Attlee, Lord Privy Seal and Deputy Prime Minister, will broadcast through all stations of the British Broadcasting Corporation an important announcement on behalf of the Government at 8.15 p.m. G.M.T. to-morrow.

LATEST

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By Walt Disney



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How to Play
AND
How to Win

By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

Cheap Insurance

If a player can insure a potential profit of 620 points by paying a premium of only 30 points—less than 4%—he is very foolish not to do so.

The declarer in to-day's hand was highly aggrieved at his "misfortune" in losing a vulnerable game contract. Actually, it was a simple case of spurning cheap insurance.

Rubber bridge.
North-South vulnerable and 30 part-score.
South dealer.

♠ Q 10	♠ A 8 4 3 2	♠ 10 8 5	♠ J 8 2
♥ K J 9 5	♥ A K J 6	♥ 4 3	♥ 9 5
♦ A K J 6	♦ 4 3	♦ 9 5	♦ 9 5
♣ 9 5	♣ 9 5	♣ 9 5	♣ 9 5

The bidding:
South West North East
1♠ 2♣ 2♥ Pass
3♣ Pass Pass Pass

North's two heart bid was decidedly skimpy, but aside from that the bidding was logical.

West led the king and ace of diamonds and continued with the jack. East discarding a club. Declarer, noting with pleasure the solidity of both his black suits, ruffed the third diamond and started to draw trumps. The second lead produced the alarming news that East had started with no trumps, but there was nothing declarer could do about that, now. He switched to clubs, attempting to cash as many as possible. East, however, broke into this procedure by ruffing the third round. He then led a low heart. Declarer found himself in dummy with the ace, and could not exit without using up another of his precious trumps. In short, he could never bring home his long clubs and was confined to

five spade tricks, one heart and two clubs. Unbelievable as it appears, the contract was down one.

If this hand occurred in a match-point duplicate game, declarer would have a real problem. On the surface, five-odd in spades seems reasonably sure and it would probably be fatal to "play safe" for four-odd. At rubber bridge, however, and especially in a contract of only three-odd, a safety play is clearly indicated. It is unlikely that five trumps lie in one hand, but it is by no means impossible, and since declarer can easily, and at slight cost, provide against that break, he most certainly should do so.

The crux is to refuse to ruff the third diamond; to discard a winning club on the trick! This may look foolish—but it is the epitome of common sense. Now declarer's trump holding cannot be shortened. Dummy's trumps will protect him against further diamond leads, and if West shifts to a heart, the ace wins and declarer can make five leads of trumps, if necessary.

A declarer should consider himself lucky when such cheap and simple insurance is available to him!

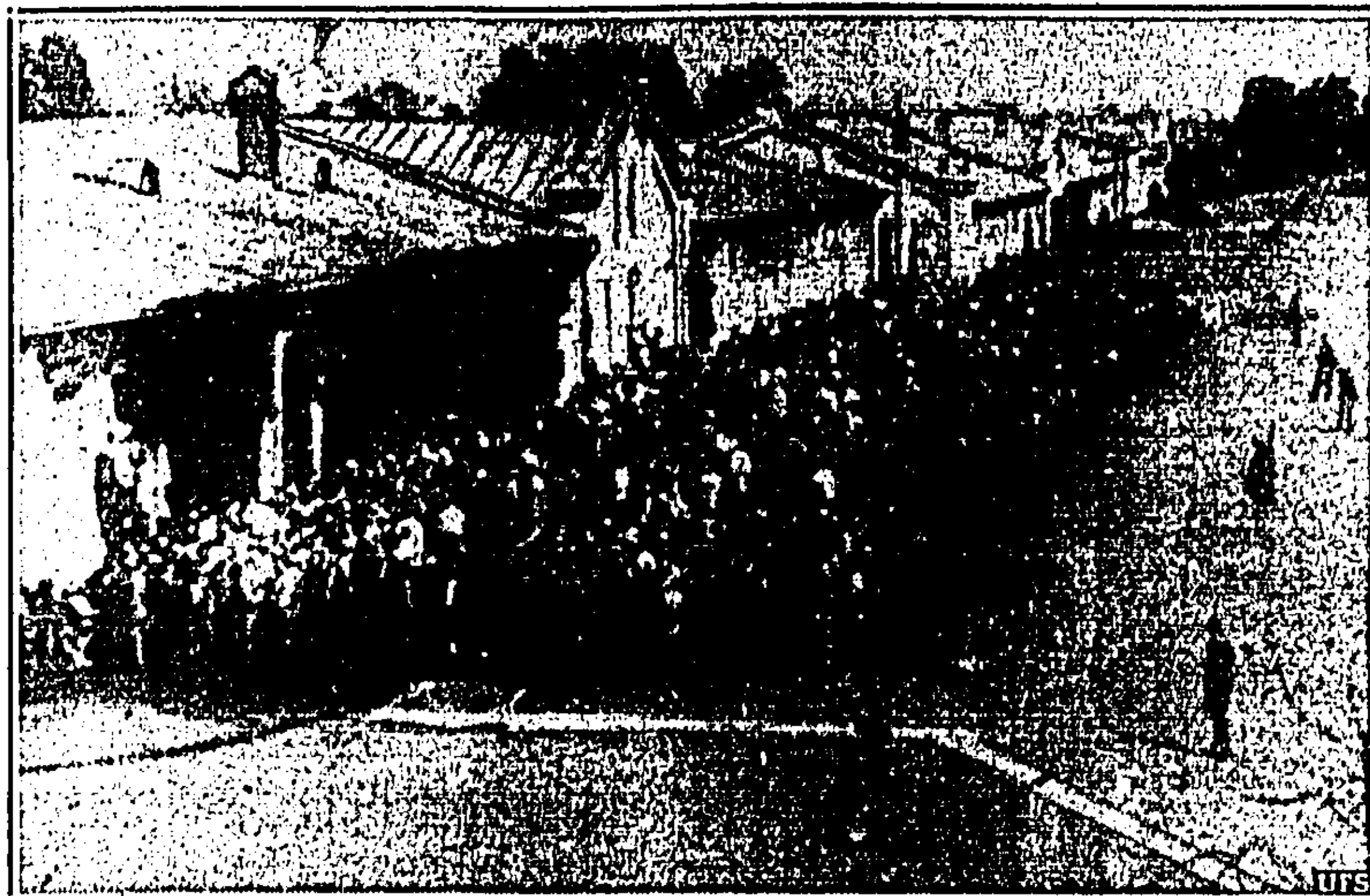
To-morrow's Hand

Rubber bridge.
East dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

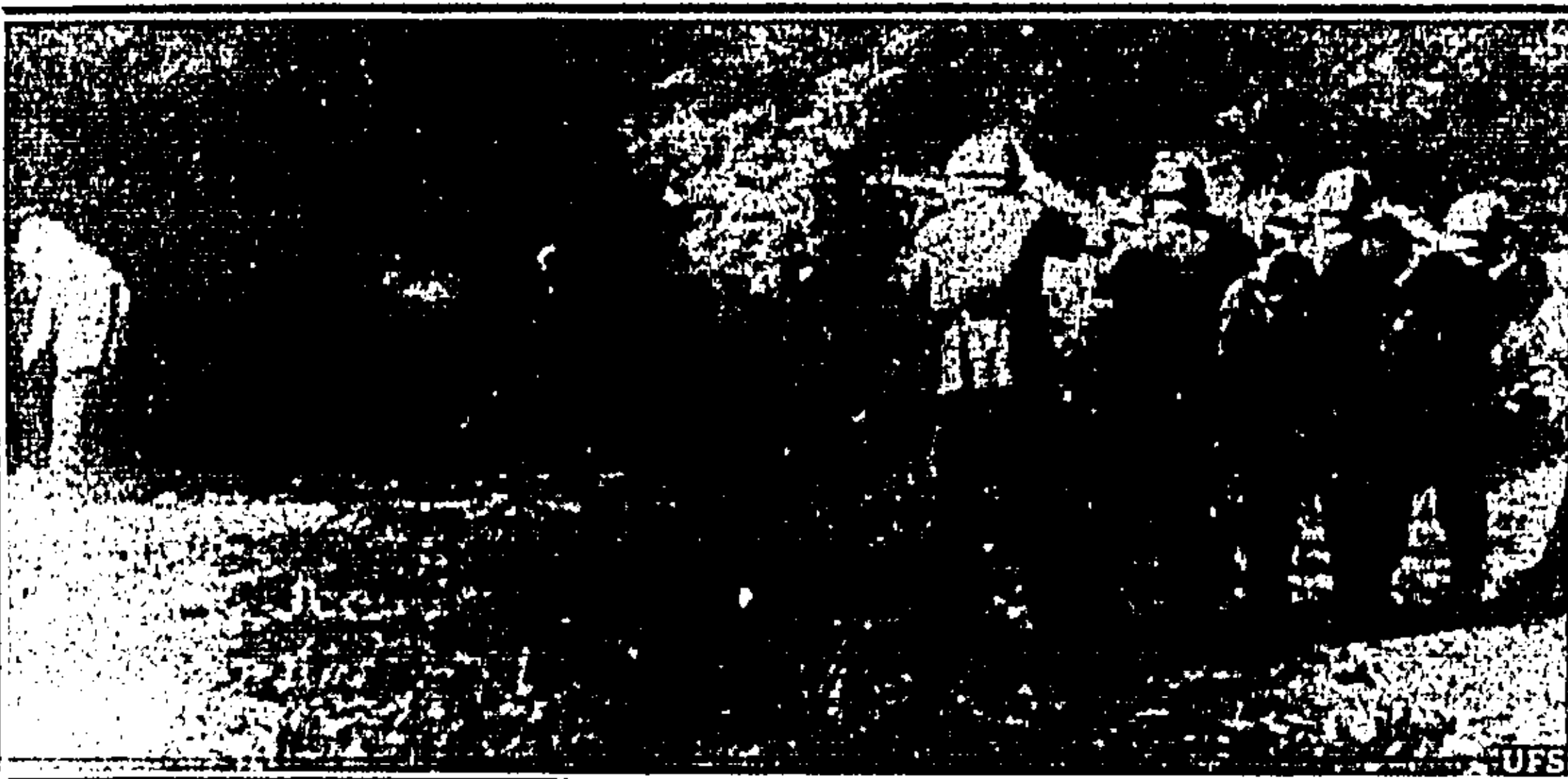
♠ 6 4	♠ A K 7 5 4 3 2	♠ Q 7	♠ 9 8
♥ 8 5 2	♥ Q 10 6	♥ J 5 3 2	♥ 10 6 2
♦ A J 10 9	♦ 7 8	♦ A Q J 7	♦ 6 4
♣ K Q 3	♣ 9	♣ A K 10 9 8 6 4	♣ K 3

How should South play his five diamond contract? Opening lead, club ten.

"New Order" in Poland



Once these were free citizens of the Polish Republic. Now they are herded like cattle under the guard of German military police, to be taken from Warsaw to a concentration camp at Oswiecim. Reports assert that the Nazis have slain 40,000 civilian Poles in six months.



Civilians in Poland who give the slightest opposition to Nazi domination are quickly eliminated. This picture, smuggled out of Poland, shows a firing squad in action at Palmira, near Warsaw, as Nazi terror stalks the land.

Crossword Puzzle

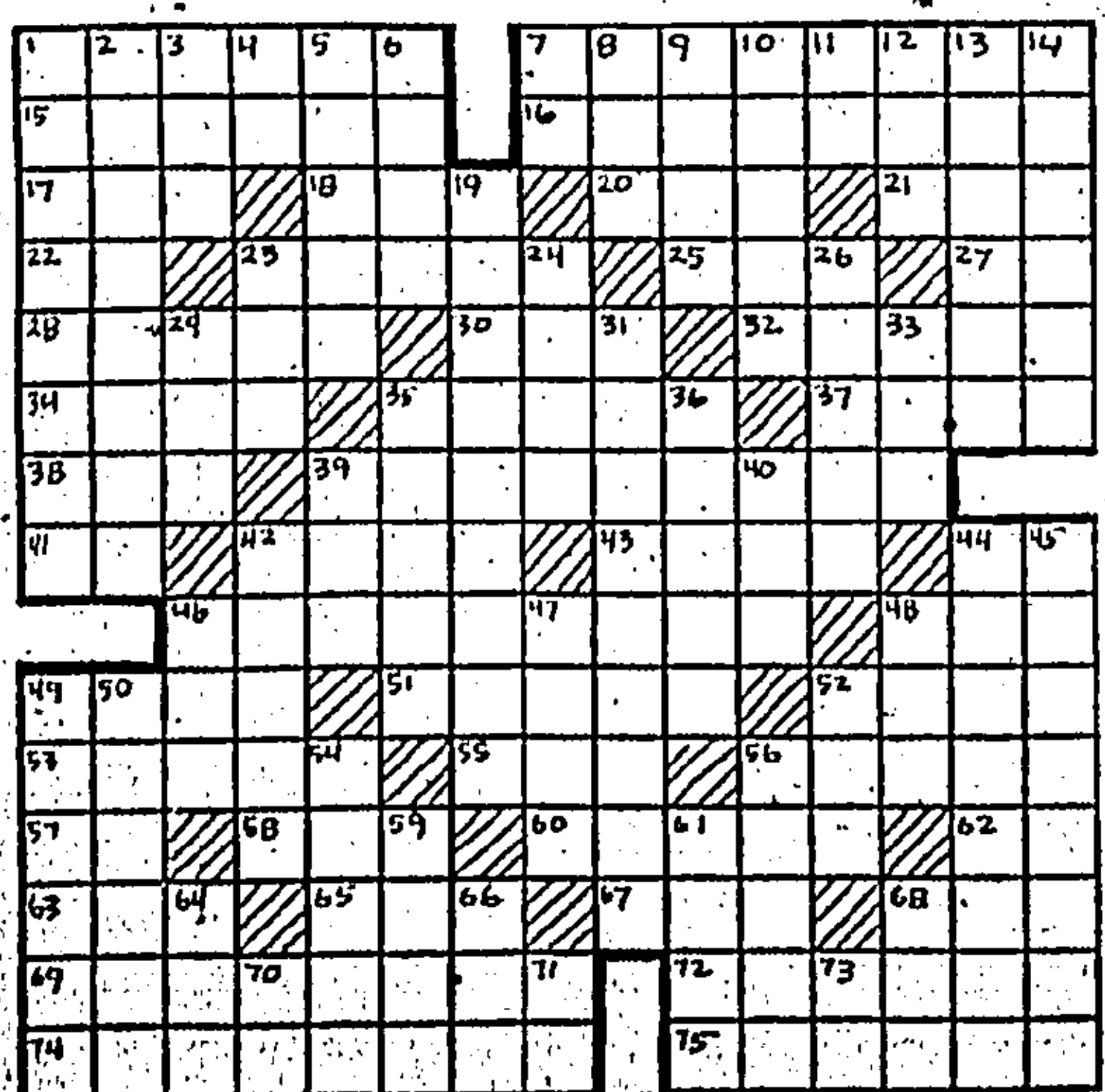
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- Agreement
- Come together into one
- Feeling of loathing
- Cure
- Branch of learning
- Excavated
- Opinion of one held by others
- Small cushion
- Forward vicinity of
- Cavalry weapon
- With allowance for holder
- Affirmative answer
- Indian tribe
- Lyric poem
- Currency unit in India
- Ridiculous son of Isaac
- Overthrow
- Young men
- Male persons
- Completely
- Public announcement (col.)
- Appetite to spine
- Partake of food
- Impersonal pronoun
- Interpretation of musical composition
- Single
- Man's name
- Dynasties
- Tightly drawn
- Public
- Of dark complexion
- Exotic deity
- Devour
- Lying between two extremes (law)

DOWN

- Recreational course
- Drunk deeply
- Blind
- Home
- Type of foot
- Slippery application
- Credit (abbr.)
- On top of (postical)
- Apparatus of heavy ascent
- Butterfly from dried cheese
- Publication manager
- Blank slowly
- Blurred
- Belonging to Ed
- Living subject
- Cow
- French coin
- British Foreign Secretary
- Col. title
- Peered
- Give out rays
- Give money to
- Strike out, as
- cow
- Beats of three fingers each
- Cooking utensil
- Thin
- Short and pointed
- Ungrateful ones
- Most touchy
- Make haste
- Are crowded
- Mouth
- Very hard
- Very heavy
- Western Indian
- Removes traces of
- Showing insistent
- Feeling
- Caught in net
- Small children
- Plant origin
- Declination
- Parrot of
- Tea
- First note of scale
- Butter pertaining to
- Tea



Ratcatcher Dies After Being Bitten By Flea

A woman was granted £750 compensation in the Workers' Compensation Court in Brisbane, recently on evidence which claimed that her husband's death was due to a flea-bite.

The woman was Gertrude Mary Shepherd, of Sandgate. Her husband, James Campbell Shepherd, had been a city council ratcatcher.

Evidence was given that Shepherd died from murine typhus, caused by the bite of a flea from a rat.

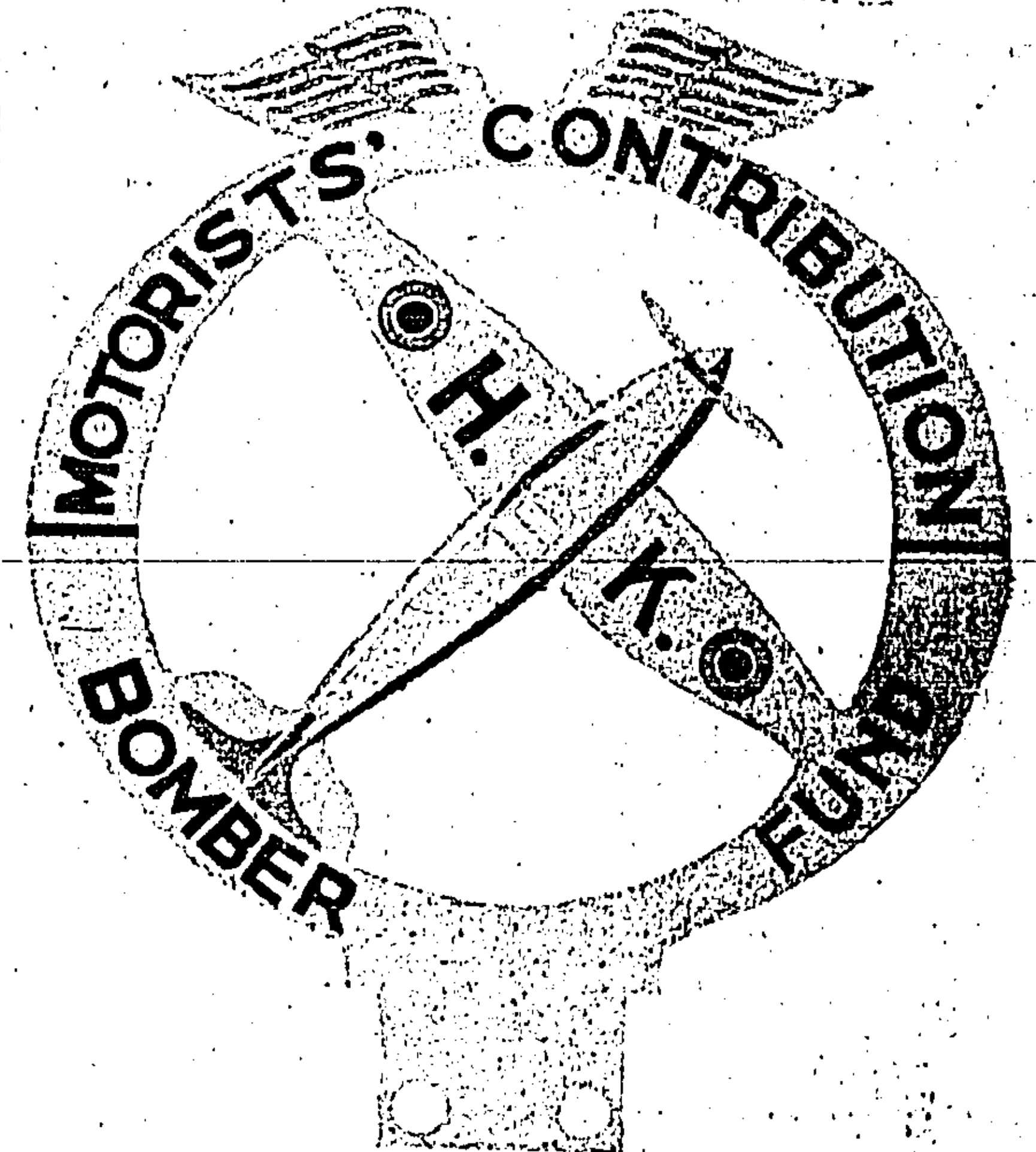
This was the first fatal case of more than 50 cases of murine typhus which the Queensland Health Department has recorded in the last four years.

Dr. E. H. Derick, director of the

laboratory of microbiology and pathology of the Health Department, revealed that he had caught typhus fever last year while dissecting a mouse.

"I had 17 days of fever. It was an interesting experience," he said. "There is no need for any alarm about typhus spreading."

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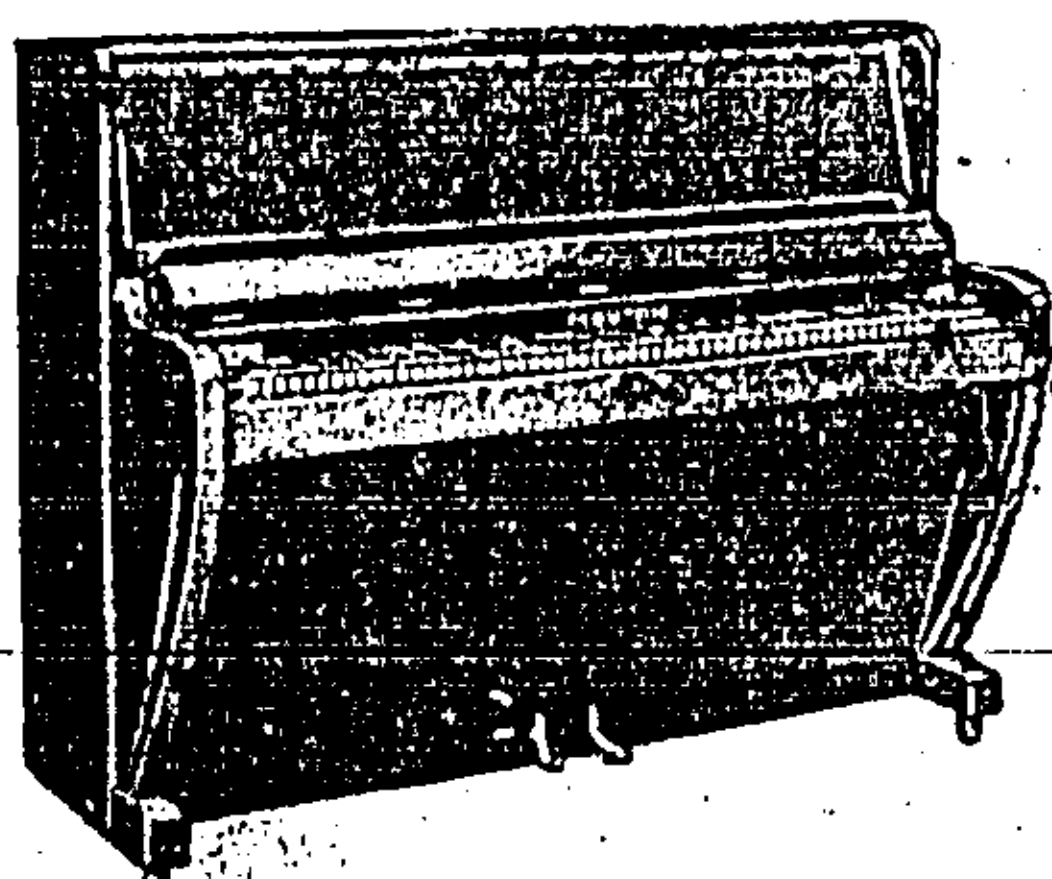
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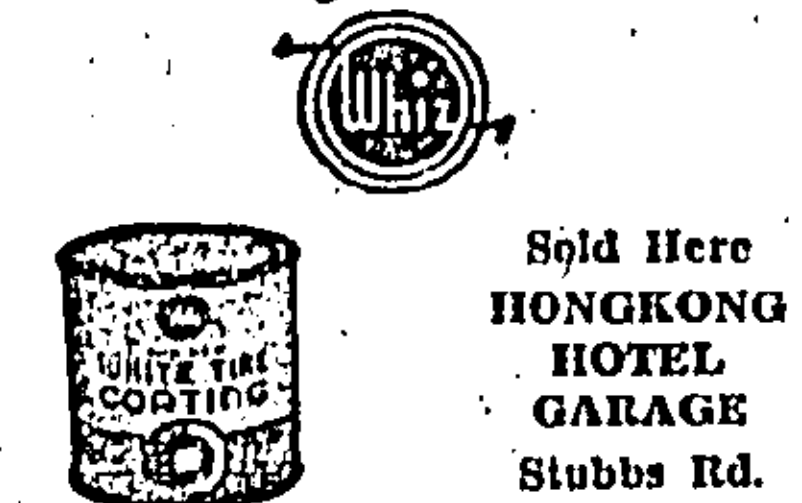
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TURKEY AND IRAN

BEHIND the polite language which His Majesty's Government has used to conceal its anxiety as to the position of Turkey and Iran there lies a very firm determination to solidify our present firm position in the Middle East and to avoid a repetition of the unfortunate affair of Iraq. With regard to Turkey who is our friend and will no doubt continue to remain our friend, there is sympathetic realisation of her position as a buffer between ourselves and the enemy, or a gateway to attack for either side according to the inclination of her Government. We shall not force Turkey to become a gateway for us; but we shall resist German pressure tactics to achieve entry for herself with the greatest resolve, and Turkey should have learned from the unhappy examples around them that if she is forced from neutrality her whole future—in honour and in material—lies entirely with the victory of the Allies.

The arrival of the Nazis at their very door caused a considerable moderation in the Turks' support of the Allies but they have not turned their face from us utterly. Adept Nazi propaganda is attempting to force a wedge between Turkey and the Russo-British combination which backs up Turkey. The remembrance of the snubs which Istanbul inflicted on Berlin in bolder days are not forgotten; once the Nazis have forced the door of Turkey's neutrality she can expect to become a more or less subject nation.

With regard to Iran, whose king was confirmed in his early military command by Field Marshal Ironside at a time when Russia and Britain were politically struggling for domination of the country, the position depends entirely on the whim of Reza Sha who is an absolute ruler. In blitzkrieg days there is no time to dilly-dally at playing off one interest against another and nowadays Britain and Russia, the two Powers in a position to exercise immediate pressure, are at one

Ismet Inonu... Turkey's Little Man With a Big Fist

ISMET, INONU, PRESIDENT OF TURKEY and Commander-in-Chief of her Army, is a gray-haired little man, short and slim, and afflicted with deafness which probably began when he was an artillery officer. He is unusually soft spoken and even gentle in his manner. His deafness is famous in diplomatic circles where its convenience is proverbial. In Turkey's modern history he stands second only to the late Kemal Ataturk, swash-buckling founder of the Turkey we know to-day. But there were times when even Kemal had to listen to Ismet.

In July, 1923, the new Turkey had just risen from the ruins of the one-time Ottoman Empire and had concluded a peace treaty with Britain, France, Italy and Greece at Lausanne. When I reached Lausanne on my way from Washington to Ankara, the new Turkish capital in Asia Minor, I called upon Gen. Ismet Pasha, then Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs and chief Turkish delegate to the Peace Conference.

"THE UNITED STATES," said Ismet with emphasis, "is probably the only power in the world with which we Orientals can deal without any fear whatever. Americans are interested in sound business and not in political influence and conquest. That's the main reason why we Turks feel admiration and friendship for America."

And now that we've made peace with England, what do you think Britain's policy toward Turkey is going to be?" he asked suddenly.

"It is my firm belief," I said, "that the British are going to become sincere friends of Turkey."

"I agree," said Ismet slowly. He seemed to reflect for a moment, then added, "If Britain becomes our friend, we will pay back friendship with friendship. Anglo-Turkish co-operation would be one of the greatest stabilising factors for world peace."

ISMET INONU was born in Smyrna, main port of Asia Minor, in 1884. His father was in the Turkish civil service. In 1904 he got his commission as an artillery lieutenant in the army of the notorious Sultan, Abdul the Damned. He played an important part in the so-called Young Turk revolution of 1908 which freed his country from the tyrant.

I first saw him in 1917. He was passing through Aleppo, the biggest city of Syria, on his way from Constantinople to Palestine to assume command of an army corps which was facing Lord Allenby's troops near the still extant biblical city of Bir-Sheba.

"Do you see that little fellow there?" asked a Turkish captain who saw me off on my way to Damascus. "He's standing right there, talking to the station-master. That's Ismet, the man of law and order, he's a sissy and a pedant, but I know him well. He's one of the toughest fellows in the Turkish Army."

In requiring the suppression of subversive German activities in Iran, Iran would do well to remember Mr. Churchill's words: "We have a right and the will to fight the Germans wherever we find them."



alone was worth an entire modern army. And he promptly set about making one.

Ismet became Kemal's right-hand man, his most trusted lieutenant.

First, Ismet insisted that there must be law and order in the Turkish rebel army.

In the following year, when the well equipped and brave Greek Army made its great offensive in Asia Minor, Ismet, in direct command of the new Turkish western army, brought their offensive to a halt at Inonu, the village which gave him his surname a few years later when every Turk was bound by law to adopt a family name.

Allied Commander-in-Chief in Constantinople and later Governor of Gibraltar, rose and held out his hand to Ismet who stood up and took the Briton's hand across the table. It was the first handshake between the two, and the first between their nations since 1914. That handshake has not been loosened since.

FROM 1924 to 1927 and again from 1930 until 1937, Ismet held the post of Prime Minister almost without interruption. With Kemal Ataturk in the Presidency, Ismet was in direct charge of modern Turkey's reform programme. Harems and polygamy were abolished by law. Women were

He doesn't like the "New Order"

By EDWARD J. BING

In 1918, Allenby smashed the Turkish front in Palestine. The Turkish Empire crumbled. The Allies occupied Constantinople. 10 days, the Turks reached Kemal Ataturk escaped to Asia Minor and raised the standard of revolt. The Greeks were masters of the western third of Asiatic Turkey. To resist them, Kemal Pasha had scraped together a makeshift army of deserters, marauders and Circassian "volunteers" who were in reality bandits, while he was trying to raise a regular army.

ALL roads from Constantinople to the interior were watched to prevent Turkish patriots from going over to Kemal the rebel. One dark evening in 1919, a ragged-looking man in a torn military uniform, made his way out of heavily guarded Constantinople. The soldier entered upon a long, weary trek through Asia Minor, through the Greek front line and devastated villages. Eventually he reached the GHQ of Kemal Pasha. One of Kemal's men took a look at the unkempt, ragged figure.

"Ismet Pasha!" he cried. "Allah has brought Your Excellency to us! Ethamudillah! Allah be praised!"

The man of law and order had joined the outlawed rebel. He

On Aug. 26, 1922, the Turkish Western Army, led by Ismet, broke the Greek lines. Within 10 days, the Turks reached the remnants of the heroic Greek Army were rescued on Allied ships. The Turks now moved against Constantinople and Thrace, held by the Allies and the Greeks. At this point, the Allies proposed an armistice conference. It met at Mudania, a small village on the Asiatic coast of the Sea of Marmora. Ismet Pasha was the chief of the Turkish delegation.

AT THE SAME TIME, the man of law and order did not overlook a detail of his job. He ordered picked troops to Mudania to impress the Allied generals with the looks and the spirit of the new Turkish Army. Every man, in his carefully pressed uniform, looked as if he had just come from parade. Ismet had a military band play twice a day in front of the building where the armistice conference met.

When the conference ended in agreement, I asked Ismet to admit us newspapermen for the signing and we were there when the Allied generals, Ismet, and his chief of staff, filed into the small room. When it was over Gen. Sir Charles Harrington,

given an equal legal status to the men's, and got the vote. The Swiss civil law code and a brand new criminal code on the Western model were adopted. The fez and the turban were replaced by the western hat, the veil of the women by the dress of their American and European sisters.

But little soft spoken and deaf Ismet still found fault with many things. He was loyal to Kemal Ataturk, but was no yes man. He repeatedly criticised the private life of Kemal, who was a unique combination of a military genius, inspired reformer, chronic drunkard and debauchee. In his moments of leisure, Kemal was surrounded by a handful of satellites who were the companions of his orgies. Ismet detested them and they detested Ismet. He ostentatiously ignored them, and his private life, which was that of a good father and husband, moved in a world which he kept carefully away from Kemal's.

IN 1937, following a particularly candid remark by Ismet about Ataturk's drunkenness while attending to important public business, Ataturk brusquely dismissed his most faithful collaborator from the Premiership. Ismet withdrew to private life. Later, Kemal repeatedly expressed his regret and repentance of his act. But in Ismet's character there is only one thing that is even stronger than his loyalty to friends—his loyalty to his life's motto: "law and order."

When Ataturk died in the fall of 1938, the Turkish people unanimously made little Ismet of the soft spoken word and the iron will the head of the State and Army.

His job is not yet completed. But one thing is sure. Like many of his countrymen, Ismet got a 100 per cent picture of German methods and policies in 1914-18, when the Germans, Turkey's allies in name, were feverishly engaged in carrying out their traditional Berlin-Bagdad project. He is not likely to have any illusions about the worth of Hitler's "new order."

AIR POWER IN THE FAR EAST

With 2,500 planes — each tain and the United States, to larger, speedier and better the "unsatisfactory" attitude of manned than the estimated 2,000 French Indo-China, and to "sus-000 Japan can muster—in the pious" moves by the United Far East, Britain, the United States.

States and the Dutch East Indies now have a safe edge over Japan in the air, declares the military correspondent of the New York "World-Telegram."

The Democracies, he says, have stymied Japan with air power in the Pacific, thus allowing the United States to violate her time-honoured strategical ban against dividing her sea force in the face of a potential enemy.

Transfer from the Pacific to the Atlantic of sufficient vessels of the U.S. Fleet to permit the occupation of Iceland and to establish a steel laneway to within 600 miles of Britain would not have been risked six months ago.

It has been risked now, says the correspondent, because of the new importance of air power and because the world's heaviest bombers are now at Pacific stations.

In addition, American airmen are teaching the Chinese how to give the Japanese more than shadow boxing, while Russia has about 1,000 planes near Vladivostok, 641 miles from Tokyo and only 577 miles from Yokohama.

This and other factors lead to renewed complaints by the Japanese Press of Britain's "policy of encirclement" in the Far East, and Japanese newspapers, led by the semi-official "Domei" news agency, are reporting from various places alleged anti-Japanese moves. Otto Tollischus, New York "Times" correspondent in Tokyo, says the Press increasingly refers to "encirclement" by Bri-

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I could dance with you like this forever, Margo, only my wind ain't so good!"

Defences Of Burma Are Prepared

RANGOON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—As gathering war clouds frown on Burma's neighbours, the Burmese people are grimly and methodically making preparations to resist any attack on their country.

"If the lives and happiness of 10,000,000 people are to be jeopardised by lust for power, we will defend ourselves to the last man, and we are not alone," is the answer of the ordinary Burmese to potential threats from abroad.

This great Buddhist country of pagodas and paddy lands has not known war for 63 years. Claiming religious kinship with other countries in the Far East, she realises that even religion would be endangered if her frontiers were violated by aggression.

Specious Propaganda

For many months Burma has had to endure specious propaganda broadcast by interested countries but it has evoked only derision. In Burmese eyes, those who break the law against killing and committing crimes against peaceful nations stand self-condemned. Burma's attitude was typically illustrated by scenes witnessed by the Governor, Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, on his recent tour when chiefs of the frontier tribes renewed their pledge to die for the cause of liberty. Flattering Union Jacks and songs of martial valour were features of the enthusiastic welcome given to Sir Reginald. The tribes cheerfully accept black-out and other restrictions and would, if required, furnish formidable guerrilla units.



Yesterday the Chinese population of Hongkong quietly observed the fourth anniversary of the start of the Shanghai hostilities. Flowers were sold in aid of relief funds. Here is a young patriot doing her bit during the drive. Picture was snapped at one of the Chinese bathing clubs. (Photo: New China Newsphotos).

Airgraph Letters To Services

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Queen will inaugurate a new service of airgraph letters to the Middle East forces by sending a message to General Sir Claude Auchinleck, the Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East, on Friday.

The Postmaster-General and War Office announce that technical arrangements are now completed for messages to be sent on and after Friday to the Middle East and East African forces and warships in the Eastern Mediterranean, including fleet auxiliaries and merchantmen requisitioned for naval and military service.

"Postage" will be 2d. It is expected that letters will reach the base in a fortnight.

SABOTAGE IN AMERICA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" MANHATTAN, N.Y. Aug. 13 (UP).—The Government today joined the local authorities who are investigating the sabotage of machinery in the strike-bound American Brake Shoe Foundry Company where Sheriff William Browne stated that saboteurs had poured acid into the oil cups of the powerhouse machinery, broke pressure gauges and stop-cocks and removed braking pins from the yard locomotive and crane.

The strikers flatly denied responsibility. The plant makes test bombs and bomb-casings.

U.S. Minister To Thailand Resigns

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, has announced the resignation of Mr. Hugh G. Grant, Minister to Thailand. He said that the resignation was submitted some time ago but had just been accepted. The resignation was not connected with the current Pacific development.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 3/4
Demand London	1/2 3/4
T.T. Shanghai	485
T.T. Singapore	52 3/4
T.T. Japan	102 3/4 n.
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	40 1/2
T.T. Batavia	40 3/4
T.T. Bangkok	149 1/2
T.T. Saigon	100
T.T. France	100
T.T. Switzerland	100
T.T. Australia	10 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 3/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/4
4 m/s France	84 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	—

Cataline Planes In Far East

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—American-built Catalines which have been arriving across the Pacific from the United States in a steady stream in the past few months "cover the water-front" from the Arabian Sea to well south of the equator and from the China seas nearly to Africa, says the Air Ministry news service.

Operating from bases in Malaya and Ceylon they have already since their arrival in the Far East flown on patrol a distance equal to about six times round the world.

Their task is to keep ceaseless watch for raiders and submarines and the deterrent effect of their presence is shown by the decline in enemy activity in this theatre of war. They are also called on to act as long range bombers and to undertake routine patrols in anti-submarine reconnaissance. One machine patrolled the Indian ocean 10 1/2 hours before returning to its base.

Formidable Indian Army

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" SIMLA, Aug. 13 (UP).—Broadcasting over the all-India radio network, General Sir Archibald Wavell revealed that there is already nearly three quarters of a million Indians under arms, with recruits flowing into the depots "as fast as we can provide for them."

"Meanwhile, modern equipment and weapons on the necessary scale are now coming both from India's factories and overseas."

The General expressed satisfaction over the training of the Indian army's northern and western commands which he recently inspected, saying, "Our future efforts must continue to prevent the enemy, wherever possible, from getting with striking distance of this country."

War Exercises In America

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The biggest war exercises in the history of the west coast began at dawn today when a mythical invading fleet was sighted by the Los Angeles Coast Guard.

There have been two days of a "war of nerves" while the attackers waited, obviously with the intention of lulling the defenders. "Big guns at Fort Wadsworth opened fire but the umpires ruled that the fort was destroyed after 16 minutes. The imaginary fleet continued down the Sound to Seattle. The huge McChord Airfield and half the defending air force were judged destroyed."

India Closes Sanctions Gap

SIMLA, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Government of India have taken steps to close a leak in the recent Japanese freezing orders to which attention has been drawn.

No goods imported from the Japanese Empire or China shall be cleared whether they are for home consumption or for shipment to a foreign port unless the Customs are satisfied that the whole carriage, insurance and freight value excepting such part of it as had been paid before July 26, has been paid into a blocked account or the owner has reduced an order from the Government of India permitting clearance. The prohibition does not apply to goods imported from China by land to Burma, and from there by sea or land to India.

Little Enemy Air Activity Over U.K.

LONDON, Aug. 14 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communiqué to-night states: "This morning one or two enemy aircraft crossed the northeast coast and dropped bombs at points of short distance inland. No extensive damage was done but a small number of casualties have been reported. "Elsewhere there was very little enemy activity and there are no reports of any bombs having been dropped."

Duff Cooper Calls On Mr Hull

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. A. Duff-Cooper, who is on his way to the Far East to co-ordinate British administration in the Far East, conferred with Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, today.

Later in an interview, he said that Britain was eager to collaborate with the United States on parallel lines throughout the world. The only comment he could make on Far East tension was that the British felt that Japan could not be allowed entirely to have her own way in the Pacific.

Dominion Ceremony

Mr. Duff-Cooper had earlier attended a ceremony at which representatives of the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand formally exchanged ratification of treaties designed for the advancement of peace.

The treaties replace the treaty with the British Empire of 1914. They provide separate commissions for the settlement of disputes instead of one commission of the United States and Britain. Though negotiated last year, the treaties had not previously been formally ratified.

Anxious To Collaborate

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—Mr. Duff Cooper stated today, "Great Britain is anxious to collaborate and proceed along parallel lines with the United States in all parts of the world."

Questioned as to whether Russia will be influential in the Far Eastern situation, Mr. Duff Cooper replied, "Russia has always been a great help in the world situation of which the Far East is a part."

PETSAMO RAID DETAILS

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Many girls' names and many messages from blitzed towns like Coventry and Plymouth were painted on the noses of torpedoes (tin fish) which were launched by the Fleet Air Arm in their raid on Petsamo and Kirkenes a fortnight ago.

Many of the messages, said Commander Nimmings, broadcasting to-night on the raid, bore the mark of the humorist such as "I hope you see the point of this" and "As this is your menial day, here's some fish" and "This is not propaganda, it's a proper basket" or words to that effect.

Two Aircraft Carriers

It was disclosed that the force was under the command of Admiral Wake-Walker and included the aircraft carriers Victorious and Furious. They had hoped to spring a complete surprise but just before zero hour low clouds gave place to a clear sky and they were spotted by an enemy plane which raced away to give the alarm.

The crews and planes were ready and were quickly away, but the enemy plane had done its job and fighters were soon attacking the Fleet Air Arm planes. In fact the first message to be picked up by the carriers was the pilot of one plane radioing to another, "Don't look round now, but there's a 109 on your tail."

Heavy Losses

Eventually the first of the raiders with an escort returned, but it was soon evident that a number were missing. Actually 10 planes were lost although the crews lost are known to include 10 prisoners of war and one crew which landed behind the Russian lines are now back in Britain.

Of the effect of the raid, there was little doubt. Although the planes did not hang around to see the run and explosion of each "fish," they were well and truly aimed and it is believed that the damage was probably in excess of the Admiralty claims. These were two hits on the Nazi Warship Bremse and hits on at least four supply ships at Kirkenes where four enemy aircraft were shot down.

At Petsamo, "great damage was done to the port facilities."

Australian Aircraft Production

MELBOURNE, Aug. 14 (Reuter).—Senator J. W. Leckie, Minister for Aircraft Production, stated today that Australia would produce planes worth £20,000,000 in 1942 compared with £7,000,000 in 1941. They will be of all types, from trainers to modern bombers. Mr. Leckie added that Beauforts would soon be coming off the production line at a steady rate.

Sarajoglu Dines With British Ambassador

ANKARA, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Sir Hugh Knatchbull Hugessen, British Ambassador to Turkey, entertained Mr. Sarajoglu, Foreign Minister, and four other Cabinet Ministers on Wednesday.

Satisfaction

ANKARA, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Foreign Minister, M. Sarajoglu, today expressed to the British and Russian Ambassadors Turkey's greatest satisfaction over the notes presented yesterday and agreed that they were a very important development. Informed circles regarded the Russian and British notes as definite proof of the alignment of British and Russian political as well as military policies.

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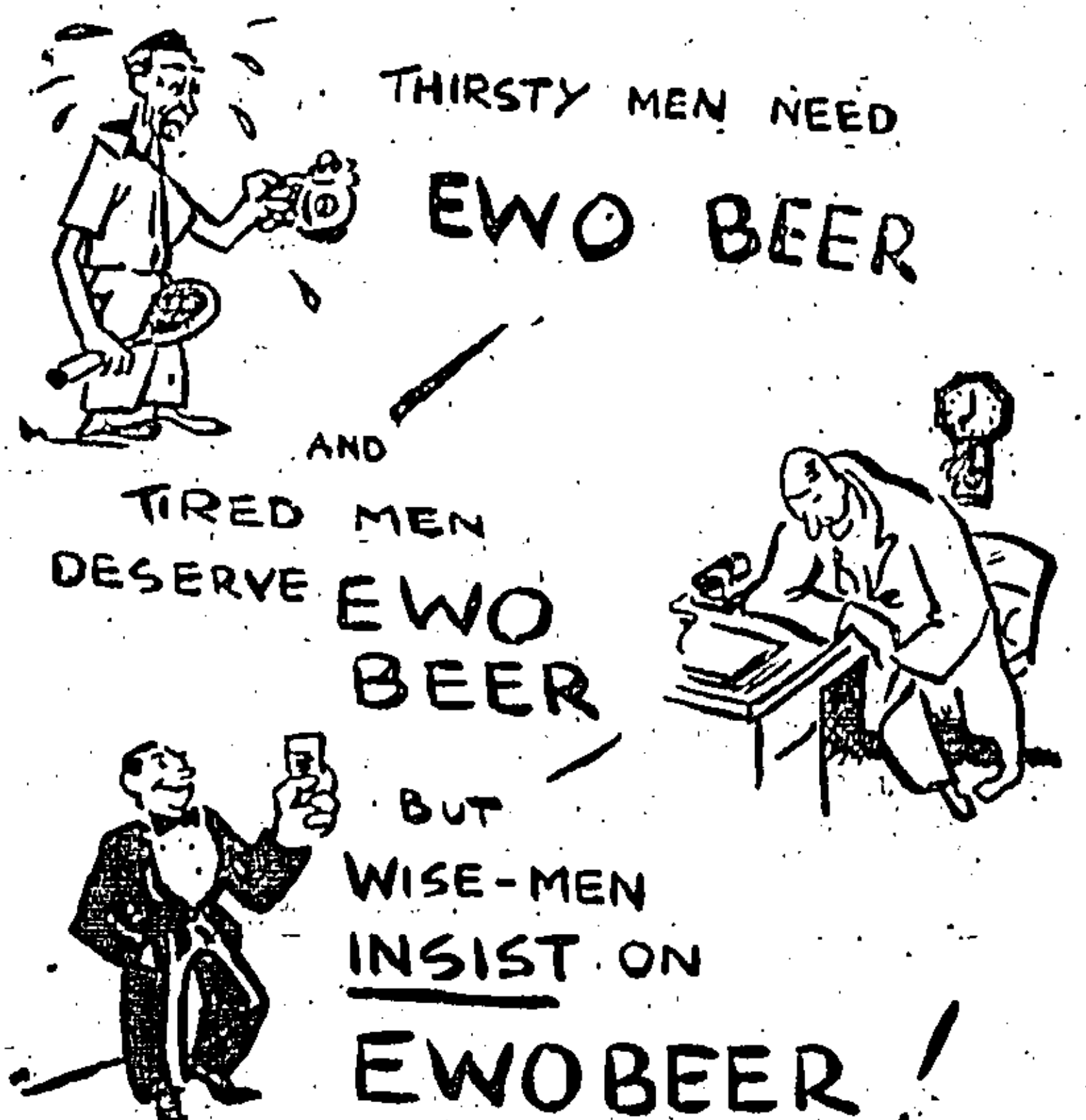
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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

League Matches Might Start Later

Present Conditions Uncomfortable

RINKS CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Kowloon F.C. And K. Tong Fight For Promotion

ACCORDING to a Royal Observatory announcement, the temperature on Saturday was 92.5 degrees, but at the Club where I was playing the thermometer read 94 in the shade. This latter reading was probably inaccurate; yet it was far too hot for comfort and the sight of players walking up and down under the blazing sun, I should imagine, is a strong enough argument for matches to commence at 4.30 or even at 5 p.m.

Greens everywhere were "fiery" and good control was needed for high-standard bowling. There were no upsets in the League programme, which provided Craigengower C.C. with another clean sweep in the First Division.

Craigengower's victims on this occasion were Kowloon B.G.C. who, up against the Valley side on a strange green, were defeated on all three rinks and on aggregate by 17 shots.

A feature of the match was a seven by U. M. Omar, who beat A. J. Hall for his twelfth consecutive victory. This was scored when Hall was leading 14-7 and thus on one hand Omar wiped off the deficit.

Actually he should have had a possible. Already lying seven, he had the last wood. He had only to play on his own cluster of woods round the jack to get eight, but was a trifle heavy, pushing one out of the count although his own remained.

Up to this stage, Hall had been playing a deadly game, saving his rink time and time again. On nearly all of the first six or seven heads, I am told, Hall found the shots against him when he went down to roll but he seldom failed. However, he could not keep it up and was finally beaten by ten shots.

DESPITE losing on two rinks, the Police, thanks to J. Shepherd's rink, took the major share of the points from Kowloon Dock at Happy Valley. W. McLeod, W. B. Hurris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd beat R. Lapsley, J. Mackie, T. Coleman and M. Ferguson by 13 shots, and this was enough to give the Police a win on aggregate.

E. G. Post figured in a rather peculiar game against A. M. Colman. He opened his scoring with a seven and then later dropped a six, finally losing by two shots.

J. C. S. Fender, the third Police skip, also had a close match against F. Cullen, being beaten by two shots. Had Fender had his regular front man playing with him, he probably would have won.

ON the next green, the Indians won their second away match of the season at the expense of the rather weak Civil Servants. Their first, strangely enough, was against the champions before the latter lost interest in the championship.

Even with A. K. Minu's rink beating H. E. Strange's by 15 shots and M. R. Abbas' beating J. W. Deakin's by 14, the Indians had only six shots to spare in the end. This was due to the 23-shot defeat sustained by A. R. Dallah at the hands of M. N. Rakusen, the singles champion of the Colony.

While Dallah's men were rather weak and he, himself, was off his game, Rakusen played like the champion that he is, turning many an adverse position to his own advantage. He was given good support by his front men, Vic Ebbage being in the fore.

Minu led Harry Strange all the way and his task was made easier by the fact that the latter was unwell and the bowling run did not make him feel any better. He had to take frequent rests and to leave the direction of the rink to his No. 3, J. F. MacGowan.

Deakin started well against M. R. Abbas and at one stage led by 12-2. In one of the early heads, Deakin played a lovely wood to match a point of five. He was lying only one but with his last wood he pushed the jack through a few inches to register a handful.

After tea, the Indian rink improved considerably and scored 21 shots against their opponents' two singles.

AT King's Park, Recreio "A" beat Kowloon B.G.C. "B" comfortably on two rinks, but in the third A. P. Gutierrez lost to Joe Meyer by the narrowest possible margin.

On this rink, the game was very close all through and Meyer's good form just managed to swing the scales in the concluding heads.

IN the Second Division, both the League leaders, Kowloon F.C. and Kowloon Tong, won their matches, but by beating Club de Recreio 5-0, the former have forged ahead of Kowloon Tong, who dropped a point to Hongkong F.C. J. L. Stephens' rink going down by one shot to Walter Gill's.

The race between these two clubs for the right to play in the First Division next year should be one of the highlights of the concluding stages of the League programme. The Footballers now have the advantage of one point!

Basketball

Chinese Y.M.C.A. Narrowly Beat National University

Chinese Y.M.C.A. narrowly beat the National University, 35-29, in yesterday's two-game league basketball card, in the opener of which South China, as expected, had an easy victory over the Trojans, 41-13.

The second was by far the better of the two games, the University and the "Y" fielding evenly matched sides, but that between South China and Trojans was much the more of interest.

Outstanding for South China were Ng Shun-chiu (10), Chung Ling (10), Shek Chun-in (12), Yip Chin-kee (12). High scorers for Trojans were H. O. Candum (?) and Poon Kwong-yin (4).

Fine Game
The other match was the highlight of the evening. Each team had their turn to score respectively and up to the end of the first half it was anybody's game, the scores being 10-17 in favour of University.

National started with two successive goals but this was short lived when their opponents equalised. University went on to lead 10-6 but Y.M.C.A. soon caught up.

The second half saw "Varsity" again start with two goals, leaving Y.M.C.A. four behind. After this it was a ding-dong battle, each team taking every opportunity to score.

When the score reached 20-27 in favour of Y.M.C.A. broke through change and Y.M.C.A. broke through the then exhausted "Varsity" guards time and again until the score was 35-29. The game ended with the winners playing for time.

National University
G FG Pts
Chan Sun-kau 5 2 12
Chan Sui-luk 3 2 12
Yu Sui-yun 2 1 6
Yu Sui-ling 1 1 2
Yu Sui-ling 1 1 2
Total 13 8 29

Chinese Y.M.C.A.
G FG Pts
Chan Sun-kau 4 2 8
Chan Sui-luk 1 1 2
Yu Sui-yun 1 1 2
Yu Sui-ling 1 1 2
Yu Sui-ling 1 1 2
Total 13 5 35

keep their rinks intact, they have a very good chance of overhauling the Bowling Green. So far they have lost only two matches—both against the Indians.

CONTRARY to expectations, the quarter-final matches in the Open Rinks Championship played on Sunday were very close affairs.

In fact, one rink, J. Shepherd's, can consider themselves lucky to be still in the competition. W. J. Burling, skipping the only Civil Service rink left in the tournament, missed a glorious opportunity of getting into the penultimate round when, with his last wood, he went wide and heavy.

And in the extra head, Shepherd obtained a single.

The Omar brothers and B. W. Bradbury too were thought to have an easy passage into the quarter-finals against A. Hadd-Lay's rink, but they found the opposition on top of their game and they had to go all out to win by a single shot.

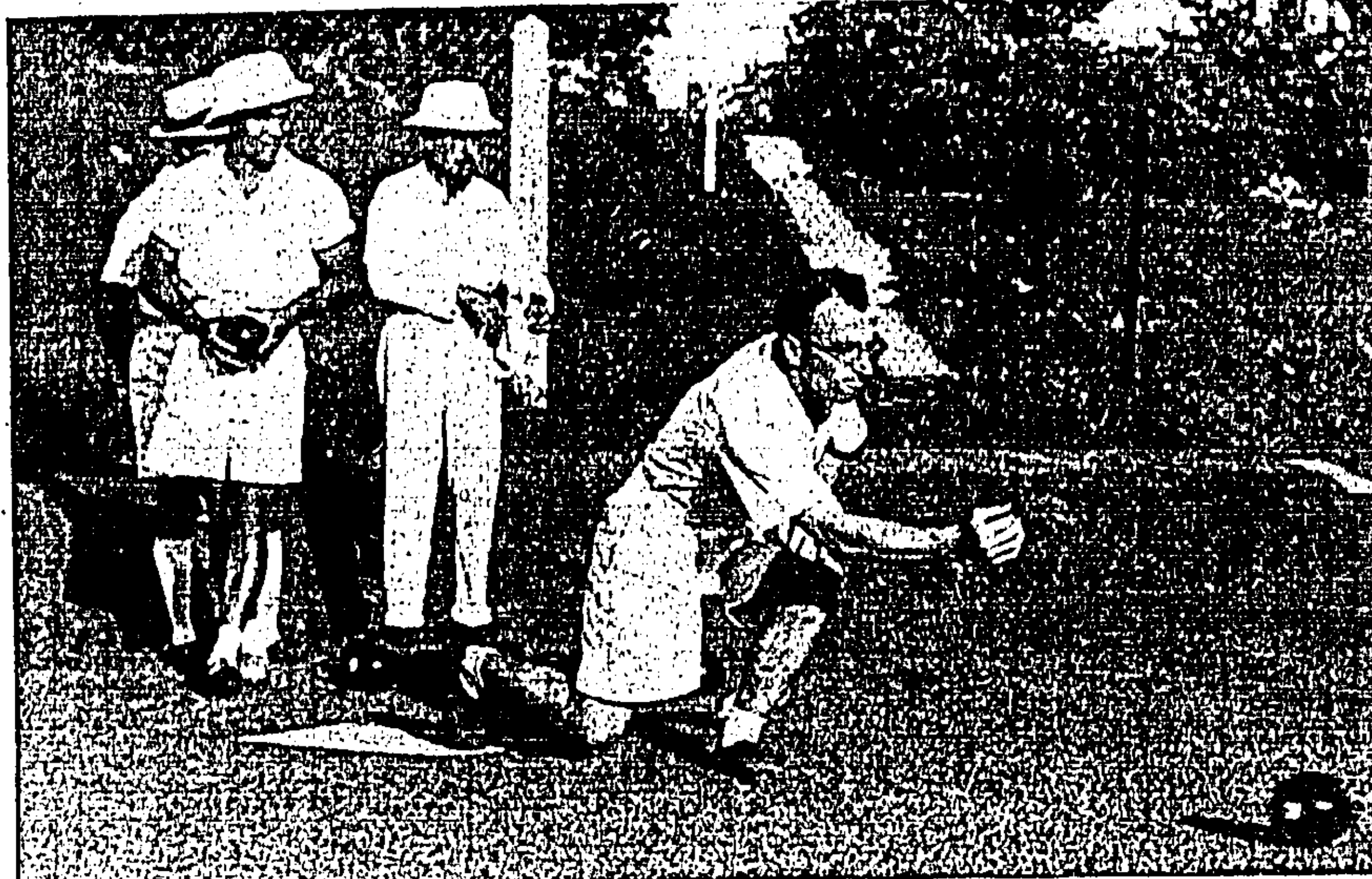
A. J. Hall's strong Kowloon B.G.C. rink, which put out one of the strongest Recreio rinks in the previous round with great ease, met another Recreio four led by Doc Gutierrez.

The opposition on this occasion seemed to be weaker on paper, but as so often happens, this turned out to be untrue in the actual play. In fact the Portuguese rink played as well that the issue was in doubt up to the last head.

The remaining match, played at Civil Service, resulted in a win by the rink led by M. R. Abbas over Tommy Pile's four by five shots. The game was very even at the start, but the I.R.C. men shot away into the lead in the middle stages and never looked back.

IT is understood that the quarter-final match between the rinks skipped by U. M. Omar and C. S. Recreio will be played on Sunday on the Kowloon F.C. green, starting at 4.30 p.m. This promises to be one of the best matches in the competition.

U. M. Omar's rink have had no luck in the draw so far, having had strong opposition in every round. If they win the championship, all bowlers will agree that they will have fully deserved the honour.



L. Sykes, A. J. Hall's fine No. 1, bowling in the Rink quarter-final game at the Kowloon Cricket Club. Standing behind are H. R. Pinna, A. M. Xavier and B. Basto.—Ming Yuen.

Quadrangular Gala At "Y" On August 21

At a meeting of the European Y.M.C.A. Swimming Committee yesterday, it was decided to hold an invitation quadrangular swimming contest on August 21, at 9 p.m. when Y.M.C.A. will be host to Royal Scots, Middlesex and Combined Small Units including Signals.

Following is the programme:
50 yards
Six-men medley team race (two backstroke, two breast-stroke, two free-style).
Six-men 50 yards each relay.
Diving—One plain, one fancy, from each board (one diver).
Fencing (individual)—one plunge.
Officers 50 yards relay.
Women's 200 yards invitation relay (Victoria Recreation Club, Lal Tain, Chinese Swimming Club, South China).
Women's 100 yards invitation medley relay (same teams as in free-style relay).
20 yards obstacle race.
Water-polo (two selected teams from the four competing teams).

Return Engagement
On the question of a return meeting with the Lal Tain Swimming Union it was decided to reserve a date in the middle of September as Volunteer and Service manning, and Y.M.C.A. and Colony championships will occupy the next four weeks.

Discussing the water-polo tournament, in which 115 games have been played and 67 are outstanding, it was decided that at the conclusion of a Knock-out Tournament for probably eight teams be held.

The European Y.M.C.A. championships will take place this month, trials close at 5 p.m. on August 19.

Hongkong F.C. Bowls Rinks

The following players have been chosen to represent the Hongkong F.C. in league bowls matches on Saturday:

and div. v. Prison O.C. (home)—A. B. Coleman, J. D. Thomson, J. A. R. Selby and W. Gill; A. Watson, J. Gelling, C. Needham and W. McArthur; R. F. Shaw, C. B. Robertson, A. Brookbank and K. S. Robertson.

Friendly v. Kowloon C.C. (home)—T. H. Pearce, B. C. Dickford, C. Carr, A. Stokkens and B. A. Mansel; C. Carr, A. Gration, K. Forrow and G. S. Graver; A. Bailey, J. Russell, S. Strange and J. Heston.

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Gala Of Exhibitions Planned By Chung Sing For Kwangtung Relief Fund

AN ELABORATE swimming carnival will be held at the Chung Sing Benevolent Society's pavilion, Kennedy Town, on the evenings of August 16, 17 and 18, arranged by the Kwangtung Provincial Relief Committee, of which Mr Lau King-ting is the Chairman, to raise funds for relief of wounded soldiers and refugees in Kwangtung.

The Committee was established in Hongkong last year by General Li Hon-wan, the Kwangtung Provincial Governor, and has since then raised much money for relief work.

Invitations are being sent to prominent Colony swimmers and divers to take part in exhibitions at the gala, and added to this attraction there will be a fire dragon display.

The manipulators of the dragon have been specially engaged from Ho Tung Kwangtung Province, and their skill in this direction is widely known amongst the Chinese. Another interesting item will be the forming of intricate "water specialities."

Prominent Competitors
Prominent swimmers who are being invited to take part in the exhibitions are Wong Chi-hung (Sing Tao), Miss Vivienne Churn (V.R.C.), Miss Ho Wai-ling (C.B.C.), A. K. Rumjahn (V.R.C.), Fung Wai-cheong (Y.M.C.A. Swimming Union), Lionel Roza-Perelra (V.R.C.), Ng Nin (Sing Tao), Eddie da Rosa (V.R.C.), Tsui Hang (Eastern), Miss Li Po-luen (South China), and Wong King-wun and Koo Kai-kul (C.B.C.).

Ng Nin and Miss Churn will probably be seen on different days in an exhibition of the butterfly stroke over 50 metres.

The other exhibitions planned are: Wong Chi-hung, 50 metres free-style (Saturday); Miss Ho Wai-ling, 100 metres free-style (Saturday); Fung Wai-cheong, 100 metres breast stroke (Saturday); Tsui Hang, 100 metres

free-style (Sunday); A. K. Rumjahn, 100 metres back-stroke (Sunday); Miss Li Po-luen, 100 metres breast-stroke (Monday); and L. Roza-Perelra, Eddie Roza, Wong King-wun and Koo Kai-kul, fancy diving (Saturday and Monday).

Lau King-ting, the Committee Chairman's young son, will give an exhibition of "duck swimming."

League Tennis
Scores were:
C. Wei and H. Chung beat W. J. Howard and K. Lee 6-1; beat Y. H. Leung and B. Lee 6-4; beat J. W. Leonard and H. K. Lee 6-2.

H. N. Chau and N. C. Tang lost to Howard and Woo 2-6; lost to Leung and Lee 2-6; lost to Leonard and Lee 0-6.
K. N. Lee and K. F. Fung lost to Howard and Woo 2-6; lost to Leung and Lee 2-6; lost to Leonard and Lee 0-6.

Army v. Indians
Army beat Indians 8½-½.
S/Sgt Fmerson and S/Sgt Duffield beat M. P. Madar and M. Hassan 6-0; beat A. M. Rumjahn and I. Kitchell 7-5; beat A. Rahman and M. Hussain 6-0.

Sgt Webb and Sgt Denyer beat Mehar and Hassan 6-3; beat Rumjahn and Kitchell 6-2; beat Rahman and Hussain 6-0.
S/Sgt Meeson and Sgt Murray beat Mehar and Hassan 6-2; drew with Rumjahn and Kitchell 6-6; beat Rahman and Hussain 6-1.

Chinese v. Kowloon
At Cox's Road Chinese R.C. "B" beat Kowloon 6-1.
D. Haffell and R. O. Baker lost to P. F. Choy and K. C. Ng 5-7; lost to F. K. Lau and M. C. Lam 5-6; beat L. F. Hon and C. W. Tsui 6-4.

A. V. Gillard and R. Kloss lost to Choy and Ng 4-6; lost to Lau and Lam 5-6; lost to Hon and Tsui 6-6.
N. G. Debbington and W. Llewellyn lost to Choy and Ng 5-7; lost to Lau and Lam 1-6; lost to Hon and Tsui 5-4.



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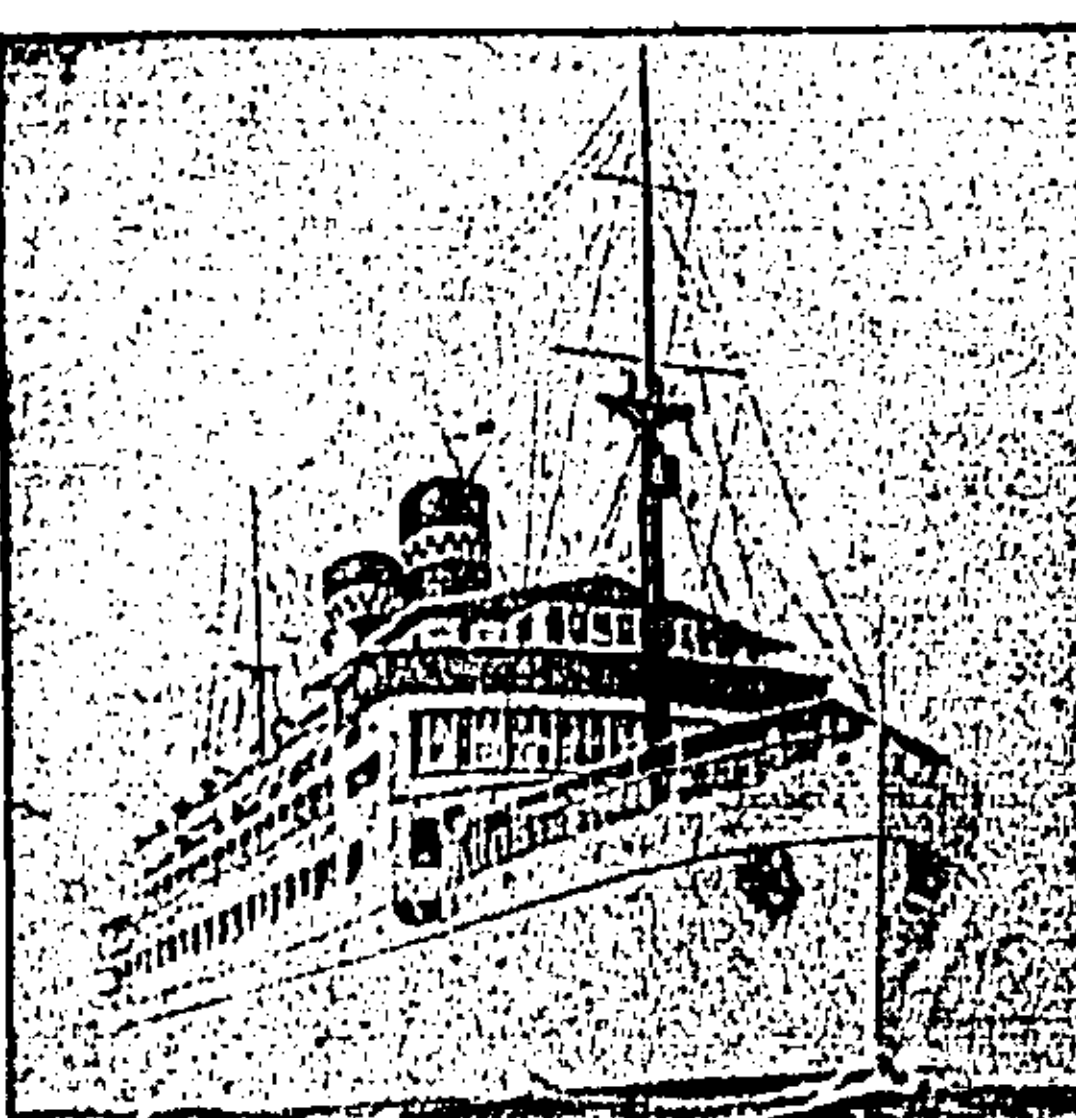
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"And here is a new saw, Hawkins. Rose's before bed, no ache in the head."

"Very clever, Sir. Very apt indeed. You should send it to some of these advertising people. I understand they pay very handsomely for such—er—slogans."

"Yes, Hawkins. I believe I have a sort of flair for that sort of thing. It just comes to me in my bath."

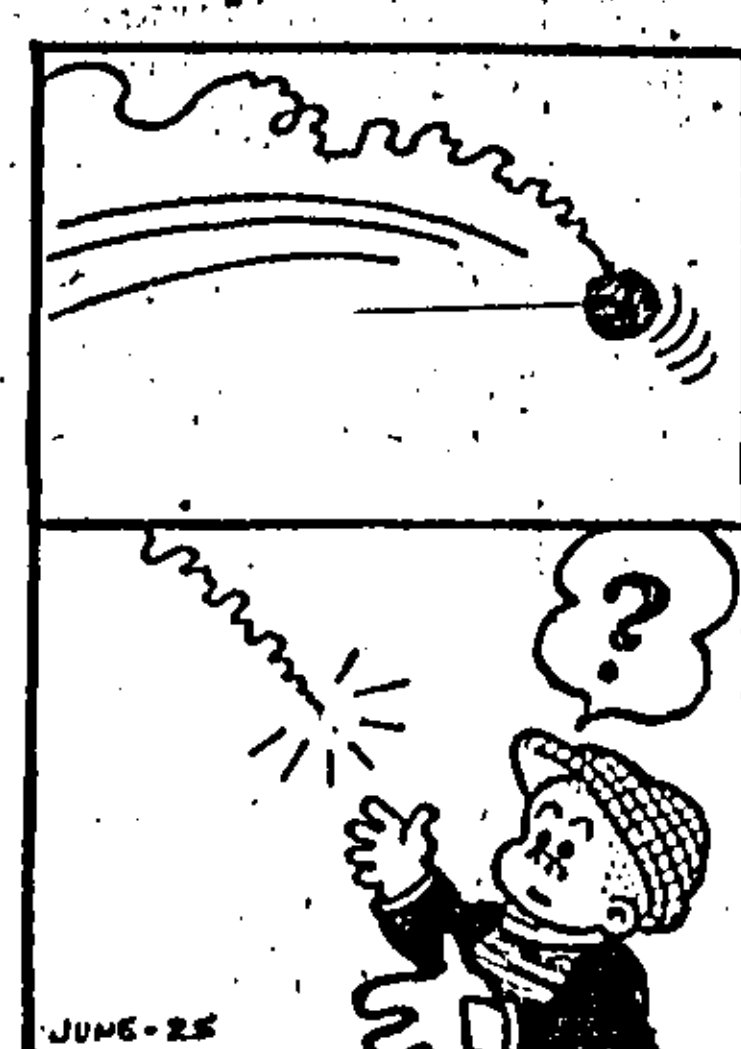
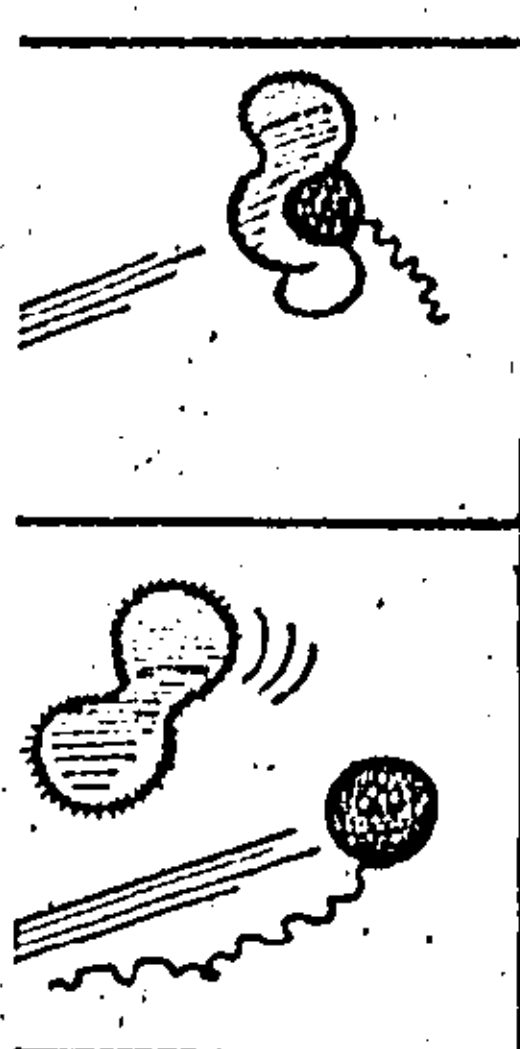
"Indeed, Sir."

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"I gather, Sir, that Rose's Lime Juice was not lacking at last night's gathering."

"What an uncanny faculty you possess, Hawkins, for the ocular penetration of brick walls!"

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

U.S. OFFERS TOWNS FOR THE BOMBED

War-time towns for blitzed populations may be built in Britain with the help of United States money. One scheme already afoot is to "adopt" one of East London's worst bombed areas and construct a township, with emergency buildings housing 8,000 people.

Eminent Americans say there would be no difficulty in raising the £750,000 involved. But man-power and materials may present difficulties. The new town would be moved out to a safer area. The people would take their old community spirit and associations with them. They would be together instead of dispersed throughout reception areas.

Essential workers of the evacuated districts would be accommodated in such houses as remain. Hostels might be contrived, and they would spend their "leave" with their families at the new township.

One proposal to expedite the plan is that bricks and materials, including doors, window frames, and sanitary equipment salvaged from the blitzed district should be used to build the new homes.

Should this scheme go through, Americans think it possible that United States cities would adopt bombed districts in a big way, and, if the shipping situation allowed, send over complete factory-made houses in sections, in a similar way to the hospital which Harvard University shipped.

Hutments For Homeless

Most important of all arguments for some such scheme is that there will have to be a widespread extension of hutments for bombed-out workers.

Belast has already taken steps. It is seeking to disperse some of its key population and minimise casualties by creating settlements outside the town, away from the target area.

Workers would be transported night and morning.

This is what people familiar with blitzed towns have been pressing on the authorities as necessary throughout Britain.

Hut settlements should have as their centre some big mansion house suitable for communal feeding and other social interests.

Lady Hambro Fined

Currency Offences
Lady (Marjorie H.) Hambro, widow of Major-General Sir Percy O. Hambro, of Egerton Gardens, S.W., was at Bow Street Police Court recently fined £20 on each of three summonses and ordered to pay £20 costs for failing to cause to be offered for sale to the Treasury Canadian dollars worth £317.

Four other similar summonses were withdrawn by the prosecution.

The Magistrate, Mr. H. McKenna, said there did not seem to be any reason why she should not accept the explanation that there had been something in the nature of a mistake. There was no evidence on which he ought to find that Lady Hambro was intending deliberately to do what was irregular, unpatriotic, and dishonest. She seemed to have thought that she had done everything that was required, and it came as a surprise to her that her instructions left uncovered anything which she ought to have dealt with. She had not offended of deliberate purpose.

Anaesthetic In A New Form

A new anaesthetic device, which automatically makes available vapours from liquid anaesthetic, has been perfected in the Nuffield Department of Anaesthetics, at Oxford University.

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Guardman In Church Door Scene

"I would rather go into the guard room under close arrest than enter church."

That is what Grenadier Guardsman Ernest J. Whitehead is alleged to have replied when his commanding officer ordered him, while on church parade, to enter the Guards' chapel.

Whitehead appeared before a field court-martial at Chelsea S.W., recently.

The commanding officer said that at the church door he asked Whitehead: "Are you an atheist?"

Whitehead replied: "No, not exactly."

Asked whether he worshipped Church of England, Whitehead said: "When you join the Army you usually put down something, so I put down Church of England."

Whitehead said he sometimes used to wait outside the church door while the service was on.

He had now applied for his religion to be changed.

Italians Frightened By Anzac "Beheading Custom"

According to the Italian Radio Station I.E.M., Australian night patrols from Tobruk behead their prisoners, and take the heads with pride to their commanders, says a report in the Sydney "Morning Herald."

This is an old Australian custom, adds the report. The custom was begun by "famous ancestors who paid £1 a head for native heads."

According to this Italian station, a German aviator, after having been cross-examined in the usual way by Australians, was slowly murdered with a siletto. An Italian aviator who fell into the British lines was flung into the furnace of his plane.

The source of these stories is given as an Australian soldier who had been taken prisoner. After these stark revelations, according to the broadcast, the Australian, fearing that he had said too much, became completely dumb and insisted that he had not been present at any of these events.

The broadcast was picked up at Army Headquarters in Melbourne recently.

Story Not Approved

"The Australian, apparently tired of trivial tales about kangaroo feathers and other standard fictions, and having no post-office to sell his captors, told them a war story instead," says the Department of Information, commenting on the broadcast.

Repeated humorously by the Department of Information the story

prompted Defence officials to criticise the department says another report. One army officer said that such stories had a dangerous propaganda value in an enemy country.

"It would be better if Australian soldiers were encouraged to tell the Italian how well Italian prisoners were fed and clothed by Australians," he said. "Nothing is better calculated to make Italians fight as they can fight than stories of Australian cruelty."

Volcano Active Near Rabaul

Fearing that Matape volcano, a few miles from Rabaul, which is now active, may become more violent, many residents have stocked their cars with tins of petrol ready to vacate the town.

It is reported that on June 6 p.m. dust was rising to 2,000 feet. There had been a gradual increase in the temperature of the volcano in the last six months, and sulphur fumes had increased.

On May 6, it was reported from Rabaul that the crater of Taru-vur volcano had blown out, but the eruption caused no damage.



CHURCH AND STATE AGREE—An act ending the traditional friction between the church and state in Mexico is this baptism by Archbishop Martinez, head of the Mexican Catholic Church, of Senator Lecona's daughter, at Mexico City. General Maximino Camacho, brother of the President is godfather. He is standing rear of the cleric.

Sailor Fined For Talking About Ship's Movements

Lawrence Sneyd, who said he had come to Australia as master-at-arms in a British liner, was fined £10 in the Central Summons Court, Sydney, recently for having gossiped in a city services canteen about the movements of his ship, the number of troops it might be carrying, and its destination.

Sneyd was charged under the National Security (General) Regulations with having communicated information which might be useful to the enemy. Mr. G. J. O'Sullivan, for the Crown, said there was no suggestion of subversive activities.

In addition to the fine, Mr. Goldie, ordered Sneyd to enter into a bond of £10 to comply with the regulations of the National Security Act.

Mr. O'Sullivan said Sneyd's conversations in the canteen had been reported by two women voluntary helpers. Sneyd had asked one woman in what unit her soldier husband was, and had offered to tell her where her husband would be going. She had refused to listen.

Sneyd had said, "I have never been so insulted in my life. Only—Australians would insult me like this."

Sneyd said in court that he was "sorry from the bottom of his heart." He had talked in the canteen "in good feeling" as he had never met such charming people before, and had found the canteen "like going home."

TEXAN'S GIFT TO CHURCHILL

A Texas farmer, Ferrell Windham, has sent Mr. Churchill a cheque for £25, with a letter saying: "Dear Winston, No scrap iron this time, and darned little money, but of the latter I give you the biggest part, as it seems you have hit it hard in the Balkans. Should you run short just let me know by radio and I'll see what I can do."

Executed For Listening To Foreign News

The first execution in Germany for listening to foreign broadcasts was carried out at Nuremberg recently, reports "The Times." The victim was Johann Wild, born in 1892, and the death sentence stated that the condemned man had passed on to others the information which he had acquired.

It is reported from Poland that a Polish housemaid, aged 44, was sentenced to death in Grudziadz on May 18 for having listened to B.B.C. broadcasts from London during her employer's absence. Five other persons, to whom she confided the news thus obtained, received sentences ranging from five to 10 years' imprisonment.

The presiding German judge commented on this occasion that these broadcasts have become a serious menace to German rule in Poland and had to be combated in a most rigorous manner.

Three Germans have been sentenced to terms of imprisonment varying between three and five years for a similar offence, after it was disclosed that they had been listening to London broadcasts about Rudolf Hess.

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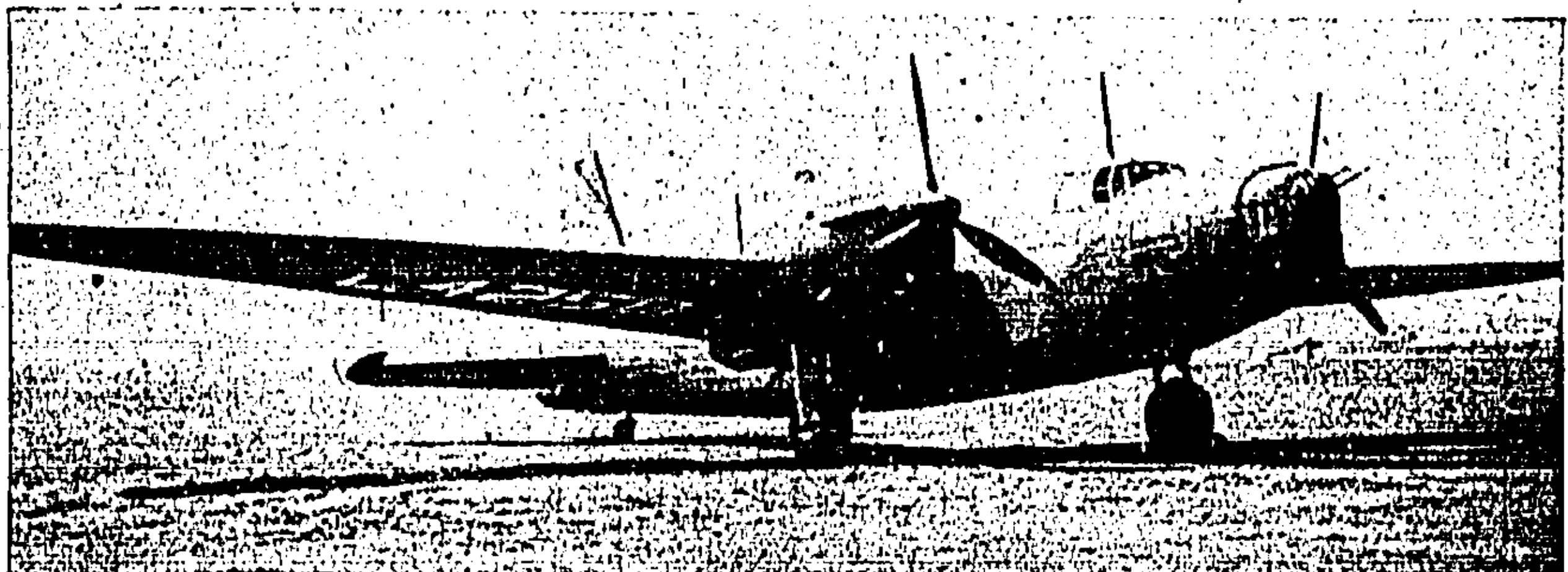
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affirmed Britain's friendship with Turkey and repudiated suggestions of enemy origin that we might make some arrangement at Turkey's expense. Britain, said Mr. Eden, would continue to observe loyally the Anglo-Turkish treaty, believing that the friendship between this country and Turkey would be a lasting contribution to European understanding both during and after the war.

Ministers Met
Mr. Eden met M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, at Cyprus in March, and the latter reported that they "re-emphasized the complete identity of views which existed between their two Governments."

As recently as last month, great pleasure was expressed in Turkey at the establishment of British military authority in Syria because it was said that "Turkey had become neighbours with their British ally."

The joint assurance now given to Turkey is intended to dispel the effect of Axis propaganda and remove the least suspicion that Britain and Russia had come to an understanding or agreement at Turkey's expense.

Blow To Nazis
LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Anglo-Soviet declaration to Turkey is a severe blow to German intrigues and hopes in the near East. Its importance lies in the fact that not merely have Great Britain and Soviet Russia jointly undertaken to help Turkey against any attack by the Axis, but Turkey has accepted and warmly welcomed this guarantee.

It not only amounts to a renewal of the Anglo-Turkish Treaty but is a virtual re-insurance with the endorsement of Soviet Russia.

Thus, instead of inducing Turkey to denounce her mutual obligations with Great Britain, Germany, in spite of all her present and past propaganda, sees these obligations reaffirmed by Great Britain, supported by Soviet Russia and accepted with appreciation by Turkey.

Issues Clarified
The Anglo-Russian declarations give the lie in a most effective and emphatic manner to German insinuations regarding Russian designs on the Straits of the Dardanelles, by which Germany has attempted to poison relations, not only between Turkey and Russia, but between Britain and Turkey as well.

The declarations constitute a striking example of intimate collaboration between the two countries and prepare the way for even closer relations with Turkey. The present step is only the beginning.

They also indicate the new spirit governing Russian foreign policy which has recently been manifested in the Russian-Polish Pact, in agreement with the Czech Government, and in the promise of Soviet support and free and equal collaboration with all independent nations resisting Hitlerite aggression.

Treaty Unchanged
ANKARA, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Anglo-Soviet declaration has in no way modified the 1930 Treaty nor does it enlarge on the limits or obligations deriving from it, states a letter handed to M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, by the British Ambassador, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hulkesen.

The declaration is intended as a simple reiteration of the engagements towards Turkey contained in Article I of the Pact of October, 1930.

Japan May Get Surprise
Now, I have a pretty good idea that in the last few months literally hundreds of American warplanes—Lend-Lease stuff—have been pouring into Malaya and Burma, and mysteriously disappearing up country. And a haunting suspicion must be beginning to form in the minds of envious Japanese across Hongkong's borders that should they attempt an air-battle here, squadrons of these American war-planes may suddenly appear in the sky.

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I now return you to NBC.

BUS SMASHED TO BITS

A relief bus, proceeding towards Taikeo yesterday afternoon was smashed to bits when it was involved in an accident outside of the Ritz at North Point.

The bus carried no passengers at the time, but the driver was seriously injured and is now in a critical condition in hospital, while the conductor also sustained severe injuries.

It appears that the vehicle was proceeding towards Taikeo when somebody crossed the road, causing the bus to swerve to the right. It then swerved back towards the left, turned completely round and hit the pavement, after which the bodywork collapsed, the car finally finishing on its "back."

MR DUFF COOPER TO SPEAK

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—Mr. Duff Cooper will make a broadcast from New York next Sunday but the topic has not yet been revealed.

On Thursday, he addresses the National Press Club at a luncheon in Washington after which he will confer with Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

Far East Convoys Arrive Safely

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end of their term of duty but are reinforcements needed to staff new aerodromes now in operation in Malaya and Burma. Most of these men come from important bomber, fighter and coastal stations in Britain, and all have first-hand experience of day and night air war. Their knowledge of active war is an immense help to those with whom they are now working.

Bombing Of China From French Bases

LONDON, Aug. 14 (Reuter).—Japanese naval aircraft operating from bases in Indo-China have heavily bombed key points in the Chinese hinterland and the Chinese arsenal at Kunming.

U.S. Warplanes May Defend Hongkong

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shock of tumbled sandy hair. Muddy shoes and burrs on his socks suggested a strenuous day in the open with his troops.

Liked Him Instantly
I liked him instantly. And so does everyone I've talked to about him—especially military men. He's a man's man, a soldier's soldier, who isn't afraid to dirty his hands. A man to inspire confidence, and the man necessary to counterbalance civilian Hongkong's ostrichism.

I asked him what he thought of Hongkong, and her chances if war came to her doorstep. A military man, he answered in military terms: "Hongkong has the greatest concentration of guns in the British Empire—of all types, from the biggest to high-altitude anti-aircraft guns. And from what I've seen during my rounds of inspections, I can say that I am more than satisfied with the degree of efficiency, training and accuracy of fire of the gunners in their practice shoots. More than pleased, too, with the men themselves, who are mostly seasoned troops of extraordinary high morale."

Two Important Weapons
Well, in my opinion, blitzkrieg war has proven the value of two important weapons—the tank and the warplane. For Hongkong, the principal part of which is built on a conical part of which is built on a steep-sided hill, the tank is immediately ruled out. But with Japanese aerodromes in occupied Chinese territory only minutes distant by air, the threat of an air-battle, here, should the balloon go up, is a grim one indeed.

Apparently, Hongkong has no air force stationed here to meet this threat. The Japanese, however, are suspicious of this. All signs here point clearly to a British determination to defend this place strongly—threat or no threat of Japanese blitzkrieging planes.

In Singapore some weeks ago, Air Vice-Marshal Pulford, Commanding the R.A.F. in the Far East, commented on Britain's air power in Malaya. Said he:

"Do not imagine the air force here is solely for the defence of Singapore. In the last year or so we have completed a chain of military aerodromes that stretch to the northern frontiers of Malaya; and in Burma, to the frontiers of China."

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Reds Counter-Attack Nazi Forces Routed

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division tried to outflank the Russians. The latter counter-attacked and in the course of three days killed or wounded 7,500 Germans, captured 15 tanks, 27 cannon and much other material.

Estonia Fighting
According to a Helsinki report, 100,000 Russians are now fighting in northern Estonia, but are being hampered by tens of thousands of civil refugees, including men, women and children. The refugees are mostly Communists from other Baltic countries and are homeless. They are reported to be constituting a great handicap to the fighting Soviet troops and are a heavy drain as far as supplies are concerned.

Well informed circles believe that the fall of Tallinn is now imminent as a great many refugees are impeding military operations.

"Nothing Important"
(BY "REUTERS" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)
LONDON, Aug. 14.—Nothing important occurred "on the war front," yesterday, was the reply given by the Soviet military headquarters in Moscow to queries to German claims of a sweeping advance in the Ukraine.

It would be absurd for the Russians to use such phrases if something very important had "happened" and the absence of new place names in today's Soviet communiqué is a clear indication, in view of past Soviet practice, that there has been no advance by the main German forces.

Grain Stocks
This does not mean that advance German units may not again have ventured to push ahead, possibly towards Nikolaiyev, the Black Sea port 70 miles northeast of Odessa, whose gigantic silos doubtless conjure up for the Germans visions of vast grain stocks.

Actually there is every reason to suppose that in accordance with M. Stalin's policy, the Russians would move this grain inland if Nikolaiyev were seriously threatened, which is not yet the case. At all events, should a strategic retreat be necessary, the Russians can afford, after the harvest has been gathered, to abandon part of the Ukrainian farmland and may be expected to take up strong positions inside the bend of the Dnieper which from an industrial point, it would be very important to preserve.

Slaughter Goes On
STOCKHOLM, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Russian armies are not yet out of the game, although months ago Heuchel declared that organised Soviet military formations no longer existed, that the roads to Leningrad, Moscow and Kiev were open, and that huge breaches had been made in the Stalin line," writes the newspaper "Handelstidningen" today.

"Fighting is still going on in the same areas several weeks after this assertion was made. When the attacker reached the former Russian frontier he met by a diving wall of Russians and a massed army. Against this the Germans have been flung column after column which were broken into bloody scraps of humanity against the Soviet breakthrough. No sign of the end of the slaughter is yet in view."

Bulgars For Front
MOSCOW, Aug. 13 (UP).—The press today gave prominence to a dispatch from Bern reporting that German demands have been made on Bulgaria to send two "reliable" divisions to the eastern front.

In order to avoid a formal declaration of war, the divisions will ostensibly consist of volunteers. The dispatch added that Bulgaria has not yet answered the request, trying to convince the Germans that they could assist better with foodstuffs while entry into the war against the Soviets might lead to internal disruption.

U.S. RELATIONS WITH VICHY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull at the press conference today asserted that he is awaiting a dispatch from the American Ambassador, Admiral Leahy, fully analysing the new Vichy moves before he issues a statement regarding future Franco-American relations.

Meanwhile, he declined to discuss the outlook; however, it is understood that the United States is nevertheless free to proceed with appropriate action if it becomes established that "full collaboration" serves as Axis access to the French Colonies in Africa.

In response to press questions regarding the German rumours alleging that the United States is contemplating the seizure of Martinique, Mr. Hull said that he had heard nothing on that subject in Washington except the current German rumours.

Press Reaction

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The initial press reaction regarding Marshal Petain's decision for closer collaboration with Germany indicated that the development was of considerable concern to the United States.

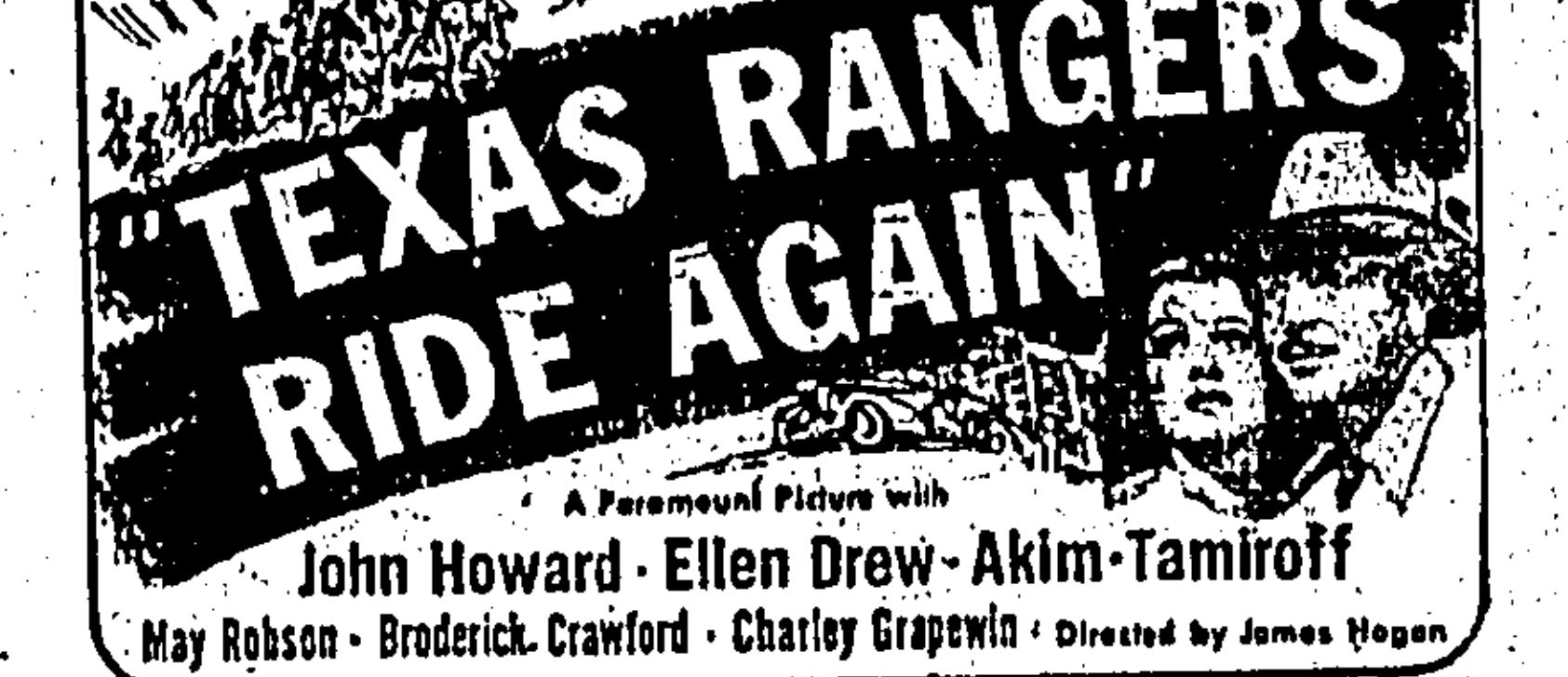
The "Baltimore Sun" said that despite the sympathy for France's predicament, the United States must "adjust its policy to meet the new situation," adding that if the new policy means that Germany may obtain and use the French bases in Africa, "then the United States cannot be indifferent. For her own safety she cannot afford to let them be used against us."

An editorial in the "Washington Post," entitled "France joins Axis," said that "Whatever reasons prompted the Vichy regime to take this step, the implication to the United States is clear. We must fully recognise the extent to which the Vichy regime is being controlled by Berlin, and every move of the recognized Vichy regime must be watched with particular emphasis upon strengthening our defences against a new, probable German move in Dakar."

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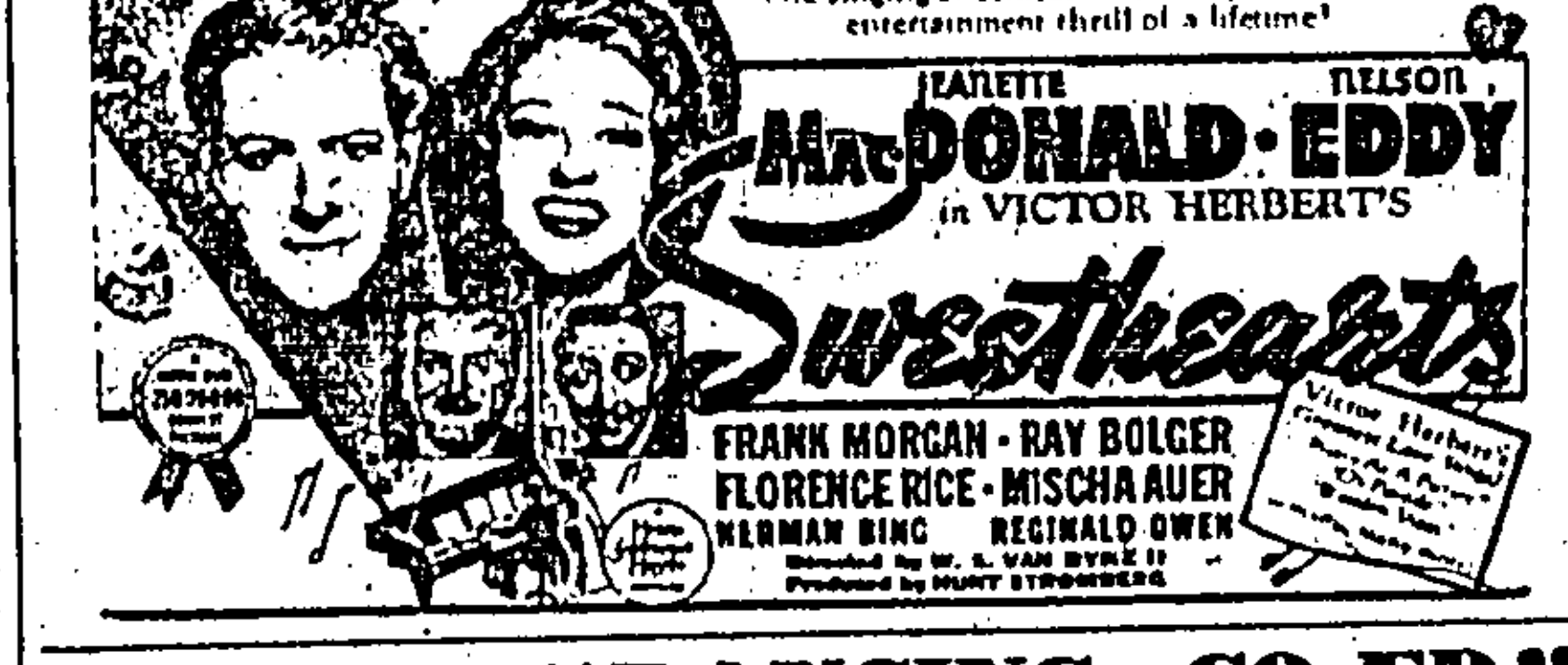
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A CHINESE THRILLER IN MANDARIN

Visit To Wounded In Russian Hospital

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent)

MOSCOW, Aug. 13.—The grimness of war was brought home to me by a visit to one of Moscow's hospitals this morning. It was not one of the biggest but a school building which has been transformed into a hospital where the wounded are moved after operation and before convalescence.

Blitzed Moscow is not considered a healthy spot for wounded and only the most severe cases requiring specialist handling are brought here. It was a cheering thought that even this improvised hospital was able to give such excellent cure to the wounded.

This hospital is specialising in some of the saddest cases of all—face, jaw and eye injuries. It was spotlessly clean and bright with the Russian water colours still in the walls. The medical staff were clearly most efficient and the head doctor explained as he took me through the sterilising, X-ray, washing, operating and dressing rooms—work here was in full progress—all in the most modern methods.

Vitamin Treatment
He stressed in particular the vitamin treatment used in connection with wound-dressing and plastic surgery which is one of the most important aspects of the work of this hospital. The doctor explained how with bones and tissues from dead people it was possible to eliminate some of the hideous gaping disfigurements that I saw under treatment. No longer is it essential to graft from the patient himself.

Most of the patients were too ill to talk but one stoic young fellow from the Ukraine with a swollen jaw heavily bandaged and his speech thick told me his experiences. He was 27 and before entering the Red Army a year ago had been training as a builder.

Incident In A War
"Our platoon," he said, "received an order to occupy the village of Denidovka, near Smolensk. As we were moving along the country road, we met two village women who told us that the Germans had just occupied it. They said that they had just left and that the Germans were having lunch. Our officer decided to wait along the edge of the wood, surprised the Germans and drove them out, inflicting heavy losses. They fled, leaving dozens of cars and cycles behind them."

"We built an entrenchment round the village and also occupied a further stretch of road."

Point Blank Range
"He hit me in the face with his fist, knocking me down and then with a rifle shot at me at point-blank range. The first bullet merely stunned me as it ricocheted from my tin hat, but the second went through my temple and face, coming out of the lower jaw, smashing my teeth and pulping my tongue."

They left him there for dead. The rest of his story told how surprisingly in spite of loss of blood he did not lose consciousness and next day his comrades, reloading the position, found him and he was sent to the base in a hospital train.

Chemical Works
LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—A British Middle East communiqué issued today stated:

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Awaiting News Of Roosevelt Churchill

Big Developments Expected

By Joe Alex Morris

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Aug. 13 (UP).—Speculation regarding the epochal meeting between President Roosevelt and Mr. Winston Churchill to-day reached a new intensity with indications of an early solution to the international mystery.

The question as to whether or not the Government leaders met in the Atlantic is still unanswered, but speculation increased and assumed greater importance hourly as a result of the German drive deeper into the Ukraine and the new threats and developments in Japan and France.

There are mounting hints that important developments might be expected, probably during the week-end and some quarters maintained the belief that the President conferred with Mr. Churchill despite the continued official silence.

Solution During Week-End

Private advices reaching the United Press indicated that a solution of the mystery might be expected this week-end or sooner and give the impression that the official explanation advanced by the leaders in the capitals would be intensely interesting.

If the leaders had a conference, it might even be of greater importance than originally expected. The announcement in London that Mr. Clement Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, who has been Government spokesman during Mr. Churchill's absence, would broadcast on Thursday aroused speculation that Mr. Attlee might disclose whether Roosevelt and Churchill had met.

Bishop Hall Leaving

Lecturing For Two Months In U.S.

Bishop Hall of Hongkong is leaving the Colony at the end of August for a visit to the United States, where he will lecture for two months at the Episcopal Theological Seminary, Cambridge, Mass., on mission work, with particular reference to China.

He hopes to meet in San Francisco, Dr. Noel Hall, his brother, who recently received an honorary degree of Civil Law by the Rochester University.

This morning Bishop Hall received and accepted an invitation to speak with Miss Agnes Smedley in Hollywood on "Assistance to China." The Bishop also hopes to give lectures on the China Industrial Co-operative while in the United States, and will also make appeals for financial aid for Bishop Tsu of Yunnan.

Bishop Hall is going by steamer to America, and expects to return to Hongkong by Christmas. He may fly back to the Colony.

U.S. May Recognise De Gaulle And Weygand

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—It is understood that if the Axis reaches out into Africa without resistance from General Weygand's forces, the United States might withdraw recognition from Vichy and recognise General de Gaulle with Lend and Lease aid.

Conversely, if General Weygand splits with Vichy, it is understood that there is a possibility of his being recognised as titular head of the Free French movement.

There is some hope that Weygand will not follow Petain and Darlan on military collaboration, which has been strengthened by the fact that Weygand left Vichy for Africa before Petain announced the new collaboration.

It is understood that if Weygand capitulates to Germany, there is a distinct possibility that the United

RUSSIANS EVACUATE SMOLENSK: AIR FORCE INFLECTS HEAVY BLOWS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, AUG. 13 (UP).—MOSCOW HAS ADMITTED THAT THE RUSSIANS HAVE EVACUATED SMOLENSK.

A MOSCOW RADIO COMMUNIQUE TO THIS EFFECT WAS PICKED UP IN NEW YORK, TO-DAY. THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THAT RUSSIAN TROOPS EVACUATED SMOLENSK "A FEW DAYS AGO."

This report is confirmed in an official Moscow communique issued last night which reads: "On August 13, our troops fought the enemy in the Koxholm, Starya, Smolensk and Belaya-Tserkov directions. A few days ago, our troops left Smolensk."

"Our airforce continued to inflict blows on enemy troops and airdromes. On August 12th 43 German planes were destroyed and our losses were 35."

"In the Baltic, a Soviet submarine sank a German oil tanker of 15,000 tons."

"On August 13 the Finns radio broadcasted a fresh provocative report that Soviet aviation had allegedly raided Dobrudja. It is understood that no Soviet planes flew to Dobrudja."

"The other day, ships and aviation of the Baltic fleet destroyed four enemy torpedo boats and several transports."

Russians Retreat

In the meantime, a Berlin report asserts that Nazi army after bitter fighting, is forcing the Reds to retreat in the central Ukraine southward from Kiev.

However, it is pointed out that both London and Moscow asserted that the Nazi losses are heavy.

According to a Helsinki report, 17 Soviet planes were shot down on Tuesday, while one Finnish plane was lost.

Soviet planes again bombed the Borgan district as well as Raumo on Tuesday, while Kotka was attacked on Wednesday, though no damage was caused.

Another Berlin report states that the Luftwaffe and German anti-aircraft guns destroyed 184 Soviet planes on Tuesday, of which 129 were shot down and the others destroyed on the ground.

No Moscow Raids

MOSCOW, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Germans failed to bomb the city for the fifth time since the air offensive began July 22.

Two Hour Raid On Berlin

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced to-day that heavy British bombers comprising Wellingtons, Manchesters, Stirlings and Halifaxes, raided Berlin for two hours last night where they encountered one of the worst barrages ever previously faced.

Hundreds of searchlights in massed groups of 30 to 40 followed the bombers through the sky.

A Berlin message says that final reports show that 60 British planes were shot down during the 24 hours ending 7 a.m. to-day, including 20 bombers, of which several were the four-motored types. No German losses were reported.

Southern Italy Attacked

CAIRO, Aug. 13 (UP).—R.A.F. bombers successfully attacked the chemical works at Acrotone, in southern Italy, on August 11. Many direct hits greatly damaged the storage tanks and all objectives were a flaming mass when the aircraft departed. Military buildings at Carlati were also demolished.

Bad Weather

LONDON, Aug. 13 (British Wireless).—An Air Ministry communique states: "In spite of bad weather last night, aircraft of the Bomber Command made heavy attacks on Germany over a wide area. The main targets were objectives in Berlin, industries in Magdeburg and Hanover districts and the Krupp works at Essen."

"In Berlin, large fires which were started were increasing their hold when our aircraft left and much damage was also done in the other attacks."

"Objectives were also bombed at many other places in Germany, including Stettin, Kiel, Bremen, Osnabruck, Duisburg and Cologne. Aerial attacks were also made on the Dutch East Indies."

Full War Footing

TOKYO, Aug. 13 (UP).—Japan approached a full war footing to-day as a result of the National Mobilization Commission passing four Imperial ordinances governing the control of stock exchange prices; secondly, the valuation of stock shares; thirdly, the revision of the price control law; and, fourthly, revisions to the shipping control law.

U.S. To Establish Main Atlantic Naval Base

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Senate Appropriations Committee to-day approved plans to make Vieques, Puerto Rico, the main Atlantic naval base, "comparable to Pearl Harbour," by allocating \$21,970,000 for the work.

Captain E. G. Allen, urging approval of the item declared, "We have never had a proper fleet base in the Caribbean. In the first place, there was no suitable area in the Caribbean that has enough water in it to place the whole United States fleet, except that of an anchorage."

The Committee also approved \$15,000,000 for a "protective fleet anchorage" at Trinidad — one of the bases leased from Britain.

Japan Watchful And Waiting

Attitude to U.S. & Britain

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, Aug. 13 (UP).—Japan has apparently adopted a cautious watchful waiting policy, playing for time, as the Japanese-American negotiations to resume shipping on a limited scale and reciprocally to de-freeze diplomats' assets remained to be settled, despite the daily conferences.

The vernacular newspapers imply firstly that Japan is not endangered at present unless she makes new moves, and secondly, that the Russo-German war has given Britain and America a respite but has not improved their position; wherefore, a prospective early Russian collapse will divert British and American attention from the Far East.

Continuing their attention to Thailand, the vernaculars warned Thailand not to accept Anglo-American guarantees because the nations which have "are now dead." The "Nichi Nichi" says, "If Thailand submits to Britain, naturally Japan will not tolerate it. This is why Thailand declared her neutrality."

Failure to resume shipping is detaining over 100 Americans urgently desiring to evacuate Japan, and this question is at present the foremost on Mr. Grew's agenda comprising unsettled Japanese-American problems.

The reason why Japan is delaying the acceptance of the American offer to de-freeze diplomats' assets is not known but it is speculated that Japan desires a broader agreement before de-freezing anything.

The present hitch in the shipping negotiations is Washington's inability to guarantee cargoes against civil liberties suits. The Japanese insist that they will resume shipping only on a commercially profitable basis, whereas the main United States interest is to turn to back page, column 5

High Cost Of Living Inquiry

Mr E. P. Streatfield, Accountant of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and Mr J. Smith, Chief Engineer of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, made statements at the fourth meeting of the High Cost of Living Committee held in the Chambers of Mr Justice P. E. F. Cressall, the Chairman, yesterday at 6.30 p.m.

Mr Streatfield told of what his Corporation had done with regard to giving their dollar-paid employees a high cost of living allowance.

A statement was also made to the Committee by Mr Smith, particularly with regard to the position of the daily, weekly and monthly paid employees in the workshops.

The Committee are continuing to receive statistics from various sources showing the rise in the cost of living since December 1940.

The statements submitted by the various junior members of the Service are now being circulated to the members of the Committee and at the meeting at 4 p.m. on Monday next it will be decided which of these officials the Committee will call before them to give evidence.

It is hoped to finish the sifting of evidence by the end of next week.

U.S. Silk Export Licences Revoked

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—It was announced to-day that Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, revoked all silk export licences except certain shipments to the Philippines and a limited number to "countries resisting aggression" where silk was needed "to meet the urgent defence needs" of the democracies.

Food Laid By For Post-War Europe & Asia

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Official).—The American Government have begun to build up huge relief stocks of foodstuffs to be rushed to Europe, China and other distressed areas directly the war is over, says Sonia Tomara, writer from Washington, in the "New York Herald Tribune" on August 12.

Surplus grains and fats from Argentina, Canada and Australia are being accumulated in the United States.

The Department of Agriculture have announced a plan which was discussed at the International Wheat Conference held in Washington from July 10 to August 3, and representatives of Argentina, Australia, Canada and Britain took back a draft to their respective governments.

Estimates Made

"Much practical work has already been done towards the creation of an 'international over-normal granary' and estimates have been made of the available surpluses of wheat-fed livestock, fats and dairy products, and also of storage facilities."

Statistics show that the Western Hemisphere and Australia have the largest stores of surplus wheat in history, which will be substantially increased by this year's harvest.

The wheat carry-over of the United States alone was estimated to be 400,000,000 bushels by July 1 of this year. With an expected 271,000,000 bushel carry-over from this year's harvest "a total" of 671,000,000 bushels are expected to be available for distribution.

LATEST

Anglo-U.S. Aid To Russia

TOKYO, Aug. 14 (Reuters).—Commenting on Anglo-American assistance to Russia the "Asahi" says, "Japan is interested up to a certain point" indicating that Government would much rather say nothing on this subject at this time.

The issue was raised at a press conference in view of the Japanese Press avoidance of it, although American shipments are reported to be en route to Vladivostok. Since Japan does not have any strong grounds for objections it is believed that the issue may be left in the background unless unduly stirred up abroad.

Baron Hiranuma Attacked

TOKYO, Aug. 14 (Reuters).—Baron Hiranuma, former Premier of Japan, and at present Minister without Portfolio in the Kono Cabinet, was wounded in a pistol attack made on him this morning.

His would-be assassin was arrested by a guard at the entrance of Baron Hiranuma's home, where the attack was staged.

Conference In Tokyo

British Ambassador Sees Toyoda

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Aug. 13 (UP).—The British Embassy declined to disclose the nature of the conference between the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, and the Foreign Minister, Admiral Toyoda, which was held last Monday, but said "that's a new one on us" when asked whether it referred to the joint protection of the Dutch East Indies.

U.S. Warplanes May Defend Hongkong

Mr Harrison Forman, prominent N.B.C. commentator gave another broadcast to the United States from ZBW this morning, when he described an interview he had had with the G.O.C., Major-General C. M. Maltby, who spoke confidently of the Colony's defences. Mr Forman also referred to American warplanes which are "mysteriously disappearing up country," and hazarded the opinion that should Japan attack Hongkong she might discover squadrons of these planes suddenly appearing at their backs from "somewhere in Free China."

The text of Mr Forman's broadcast follows:

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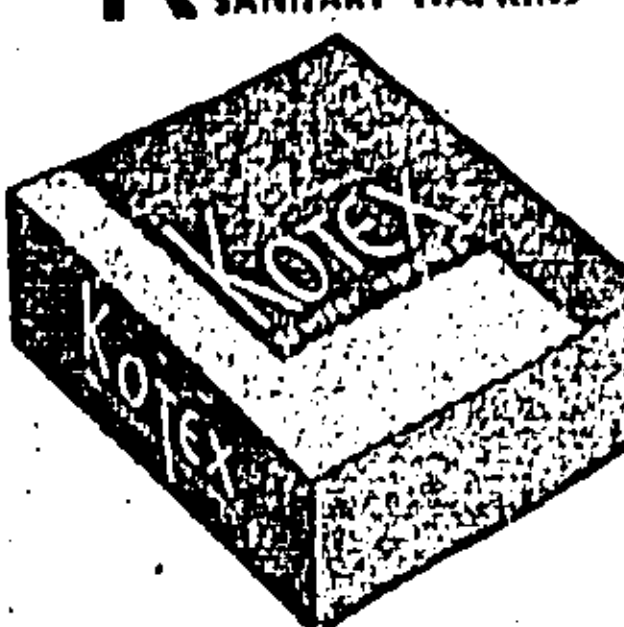
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C. WARNING

IT SHOULD BE PARTICULARLY NOTED THAT EVERYONE, EXCEPT THOSE EXEMPTED ABOVE, MUST REGISTER EITHER AS BRITISH SUBJECTS OR AS ALIENS. PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT ALREADY REGISTERED AS BRITISH SUBJECTS OR AS ALIENS ARE REQUESTED TO DO SO WITHOUT DELAY. J. P. PENNEFATHER-EVANS, Commissioner of Police, 13. 8. 41.

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NOTICE

The Offices of the Consul do France will be closed to the general public to-morrow, Friday, 15th August, being the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady.

Lord Willingdon

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Lord Willingdon's funeral will be held privately on Friday when the body will be cremated. A memorial service will be held, probably at Westminster Abbey, next week.

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Catalina Planes In Far East

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—American-built Catalinas which have been arriving across the Pacific from the United States in a steady stream in the past few months "cover the waterfront" from the Arabian Sea to well south of the equator and from the China seas nearly to Africa, says the Air Ministry news service.

Operating from bases in Malaya and Ceylon they have already since their arrival in the Far East flown on patrol a distance equal to about six times round the world. Their task is to keep ceaseless watch for raiders and submarines and the deterrent effect of their presence is shown by the decline in enemy activity in this theatre of war. They are also called on to act as long range bombers and to undertake routine patrols in anti-submarine reconnaissance. One machine patrolled the Indian ocean 18½ hours before returning to its base.

TENANT'S ROOF REMOVED

Settlement In Court

A case in which a tenant sued for damages was not proceeded with before Mr Justice P.E. Cressall in the Summary Court this morning as the parties arrived at a settlement. Plaintiff was Yung Yui-piu, a merchant, and Defendants were Kwan Shik-chuen, the landlord, and Tak Li-ming, contractors.

Mr A. S. K. Lau represented Plaintiff and Mr S. Ng Quinn appeared for Defendants. Particulars of the claim stated that Plaintiff is the tenant of the second floor of 101 Tung Choi Street, Mongkok, and that Defendant, Kwan, is the landlord.

On or about July 4, Defendants by their workmen, tenants and others authorised entered the premises and erected a scaffolding in front of the premises and thereafter proceeded to demolish the entire roof of the premises with the result that the partitions, furniture and chattels of Plaintiff were considerably damaged. Plaintiff is entitled to quiet enjoyment of the premises was also unlawfully and wrongfully disturbed.

Injunction Sought

Plaintiff claimed for an injunction restraining the Defendants from continuing the demolition operations; damages not exceeding \$1,000; such interest and other relief as the Court may think fit and expedient, and costs.

Mr Lau told the Court that a settlement had been reached between the parties and the Defendants were to pay to Plaintiff \$325 as agreed damages. All proceedings were to be waived up to the date of the actual possession of the premises. Plaintiff, and his sub-tenants if any, undertook to give up possession of the premises within 10 days. Each side was to pay their own costs and payment of the damages was to be made forthwith.

Judgment was entered accordingly.

U.S. RELATIONS WITH VICHY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, in the press conference today asserted that he is awaiting a dispatch from the American Ambassador, Admiral Leahy, fully analysing the new Vichy moves before he issues a statement regarding future Franco-American relations.

Meanwhile, he declined to discuss the outlook, saying it is understood that the United States is nevertheless ready to proceed with appropriate action if it becomes established that "full collaboration" serves as Axis access to the French Colonies in Africa.

In response to press questions regarding the German rumours alleging that the United States is contemplating the seizure of Martinique, Mr. Hull said that he had heard nothing on that subject in Washington, except the current German rumours.

Press Reaction

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—The initial press reaction regarding Marshal Petain's decision for closer collaboration with Germany indicated that the development was of considerable concern to the United States.

The "Baltimore Sun" said that despite the sympathy for France's predicament, the United States must "adjust its policy to meet the new stand taken by the French Government," adding that if the new policy means that Germany may obtain and use the French bases in Africa, "then the United States should be indifferent. For her own safety she cannot afford to let them be used against us."

An editorial in the "Washington Post," entitled "France joins Axis," said that "Whatever reasons promoted the Vichy regime to take this tragic step, the implication to the United States is clear. We must fully recognise the extent to which the Vichy regime is being controlled by Berlin, and every move of the reorganized Vichy regime must be watched with particular emphasis upon strengthening our defence against a new probable German move in Dakar."

MATSUOKA'S NEW JOB

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr Yosuke Matsuoka, former Japanese Foreign Minister, has been appointed Japan's new envoy to French Indo-China, according to an unconfirmed Home Radio report.



Yesterday the Chinese population of Hongkong quietly observed the fourth anniversary of the start of the Shanghai hostilities. Flowers were sold in aid of relief funds. Here is a young patriot doing her bit during the drive. Picture was snapped at one of the Chinese bathing clubs. (Photo: New China Newsphotos).

RADIO

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6.47 Dance Music.

7.20 Songs from the Films.

7.45 Accordion Solos by George Scott-Wood.

8.15 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 London Relay—Listening Post.

Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 Studio—Recital by Leonard Jordan (Harmonica) accompanied by E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano.

1. (a) Trees (Rasbach); (b) Because (d'Hardelet); (c) Friend of Mine (Sanderson); 2. (a) The Deathless Army (Troler); (b) Rose of England (Novello).

8.50 Light Orchestral Interlude.

Stephanie—Cavotte (Czibulka); The Way To The Heart—Cavotte (Paul Lincke); Willy Stelner and His—Salon—Orchestra—Schmid (Love's Joy—Kreisel); Vienna Boheme Orchestra.

9.0 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 Studio—"To-night We Present."

A Review of new records.

9.45-10.0 News in French (On Short Wave only).

9.45 Concert Waltzes and Tangos.

Waltzes—Love is My Life (Strauss); Romantic (Lanner—R. Walter); Orchestre Raymond Tango—Drama In Spring (Julio Blanco); The Tango of My Heart (Schmideder); Robert Renard Dance Orchestra; Waltz Tunes—Ball Sirens (From "Merry Widow"—Lehar); Orchestre Mascotte.

10.0 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Arthur Rubinstein at the Piano.

Consolation No. 3 (Liszt); Hungarian Rhapsody No. 10 (Liszt); Prelude in C Sharp Minor, Op. 3 No. 2 (Rachmaninoff); Minuet and Trio (Schubert).

10.45 The Don Cossacks Choir in a Programme of Russian Music.

A Russian Potpourri Intro: "The Nightingale" (Mikhailovsky); Russian Balalaika Orchestra; Monotonously Rings The Little Bell (Folk Song—Jaroff); The Don Cossacks Choir; Caucasia (Folk Song—Jaroff); Russian Balalaika Orchestra.

11.00 The Volga Boatmen (Folk Song).... The Don Cossacks Choir; Polka Frieda; International Railroad Express (Descriptive).... Jarov Serebroff's Russian Orchestra; Don Kosaken-Lied (Cossack Song) (Folk Song—Jaroff).... Don Cossack Choir cond. by Serge Jaroff.

11.0 London Relay—"War Correspondents."

11.15 Close Down.

Strikes In U. S. Increase

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13

(Reuter).—Expressing concern at last week's increase of strikes at plants holding Army contracts, War Department officials said that 30 strikes were reported up to Tuesday, involving 23,400 men compared with 14,000 a week ago.

Black-Out Penalties

Fines ranging from \$10 to \$20 were imposed by Mr H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning on some 40 persons who were summoned for failing to observe their lights during the recent black-out exercise, at Yau-mat and Mongkok districts.

Sergeants J. G. Whitlock, J. Ferrier, G. S. Fender and W. Rothwell were in charge of the summonses.

Chief Justice Back

His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir John MacCormac, has returned to the Colony after spending a fortnight in Shanghai where he heard Appeal cases.

Far Eastern Situation Discussed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—British, Australian, Canadian and United States officials to-day discussed the Far Eastern situation at a conference in the office of Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

Among the principals was Mr Duff Cooper who is enroute to Singapore.

Apparently the occasion was for the exchange of ratifications of three supplementary treaties for conciliation and the advancement of peace among the United States, Canada, New Zealand and Australia. After the ratifications, the group discussed Japan's role in the Far East and other matters.

Mr Hull, the Canadian Charge d'Affaires, Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador representing New Zealand and Mr Richard Casey, the Australian Minister exchanged treaties which will establish a Commission to conciliate any disputes.

The recent burglaries of silverware from bungalows in the Repulse Bay area had yet another sequel at Central Magistrate's court this morning, when Li Ping, 30, unemployed, who was on August 8 sentenced to a year's hard labour for the theft of \$1,950 worth of silverware from the residence of the Hon. Mr A. L. Shields at No. 37 Repulse Bay Road, on July 19, and \$1,048 worth of silverware from the residence of Mr R. D. Gillespie at No. 12 South Bay Road on July 29, was committed by Mr H. G. Sheldon, K.C., to stand his trial at the September Criminal Sessions for returning to the Colony in breach of a life banishment order.

Tam Cheung, detective, stated in evidence that he arrested Li on August 3 at No. 10 Coughton Road, East, about 2.30 p.m., and Sergeant H. W. Jackson, the finger print expert, testified that Defendant's finger prints were those of Li Ping who was banished for life from the Colony in January.

Japanese Blamed

Defendant, in a long statement, said that after he was landed at Man-O he tried to get to his village in Wai-chow but on the way was stopped by the Japanese who had similarly arrested a number of other banished from Hongkong. They were taken to the coast and put on a boat which brought them to Sha-hai from where they were put on British territory.

"These are the circumstances under which I came back," he added, after making allegations that they were ill-treated and kept without food for long periods by the Japanese.

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Bolshevik Bogey Wont Help Nazis

CAIRO, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The

Nazi anti-Bolshevik crusade has been a complete failure throughout the Arab world, according to information received here.

This crusade preached by the Germans since the invasion of Russia through the few channels remaining to them in the Middle East has had no success except among Vichy supporters. With Raschid Ali, the German had temporary success by perverting the nationalist feeling in Iraq, but a call for a holy war on Russia has fallen in deaf ears.

The same fate befell the still more ridiculous attempts to characterise President Roosevelt and the Archbishop of Canterbury as "dangerous Reds" because they praised Russia's brave resistance to the German invasion.

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CONTRACT BRIDGE

How to Play AND How to Win

By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

Cheap Insurance

IF a player can insure a potential profit of 820 points by paying a premium of only 30 points—less than 4%—he is very foolish not to do so.

The declarer in to-day's hand was highly aggrieved at his "misfortune" in losing a vulnerable game contract. Actually, it was a simple case of spurning cheap insurance.

Rubber bridge. North-South vulnerable and 30 part-score. South dealer.

♠ Q 10
♥ A K 4 3 2
♦ A K J 6
♣ 9 5

♠ 7 5 1 2
♥ Q 10 8 6
♦ 7 2
♣ 10 7 5

♠ A K J 9 8
♥ 7
♦ Q 9
♣ A K Q 6 4

The bidding:
South. West. North. East
1♠ 2♣ 2♥ Pass
3♣ 3♦ Pass Pass Pass

North's two heart bid was decidedly skimpy, but aside from that the bidding was logical.
West led the king and ace of diamonds and continued with the jack. East discarding a club. Declarer, noting with pleasure the solidity of both his black suits, ruffed the third diamond and started to draw trumps. The second lead produced the alarming news that East had started with five trumps, but there was nothing declarer could do about that, now. He switched to clubs, attempting to cash as many as possible. East, however, broke into this procedure by ruffing the third round. He then led a low heart. Declarer found himself in dummy with the ace, and could not exit without using up another of his precious trumps. In short, he could never bring home his long clubs and was confined to

five spade tricks, one heart and two clubs. Unbelievable as it appears, the contract was down one.

If this hand occurred in a match-point duplicate game, declarer would have a real problem. On the surface, five-odd in spades seems reasonably sure and it would probably be fatal to "play safe" for four-odd. At rubber bridge, however, and especially in a contract of only three-odd, a safety play is clearly indicated. It is unlikely that five trumps lie in one hand, but it is by no means impossible, and since declarer can easily, and at slight cost, provide against that break, he most certainly should do so.

The crux is to refuse to ruff the third diamond; to discard a winning club on the trick. This may look foolish but it is the epitome of common sense. Now declarer's trump holding cannot be shortened. Dummy's trumps will protect him against further diamond leads, and if West shifts to a heart, the ace wing and declarer can make five leads of trumps, if necessary.

A declarer should consider himself lucky when such cheap and simple insurance is available to him!

To-morrow's Hand

Rubber bridge. East dealer. North-South vulnerable.

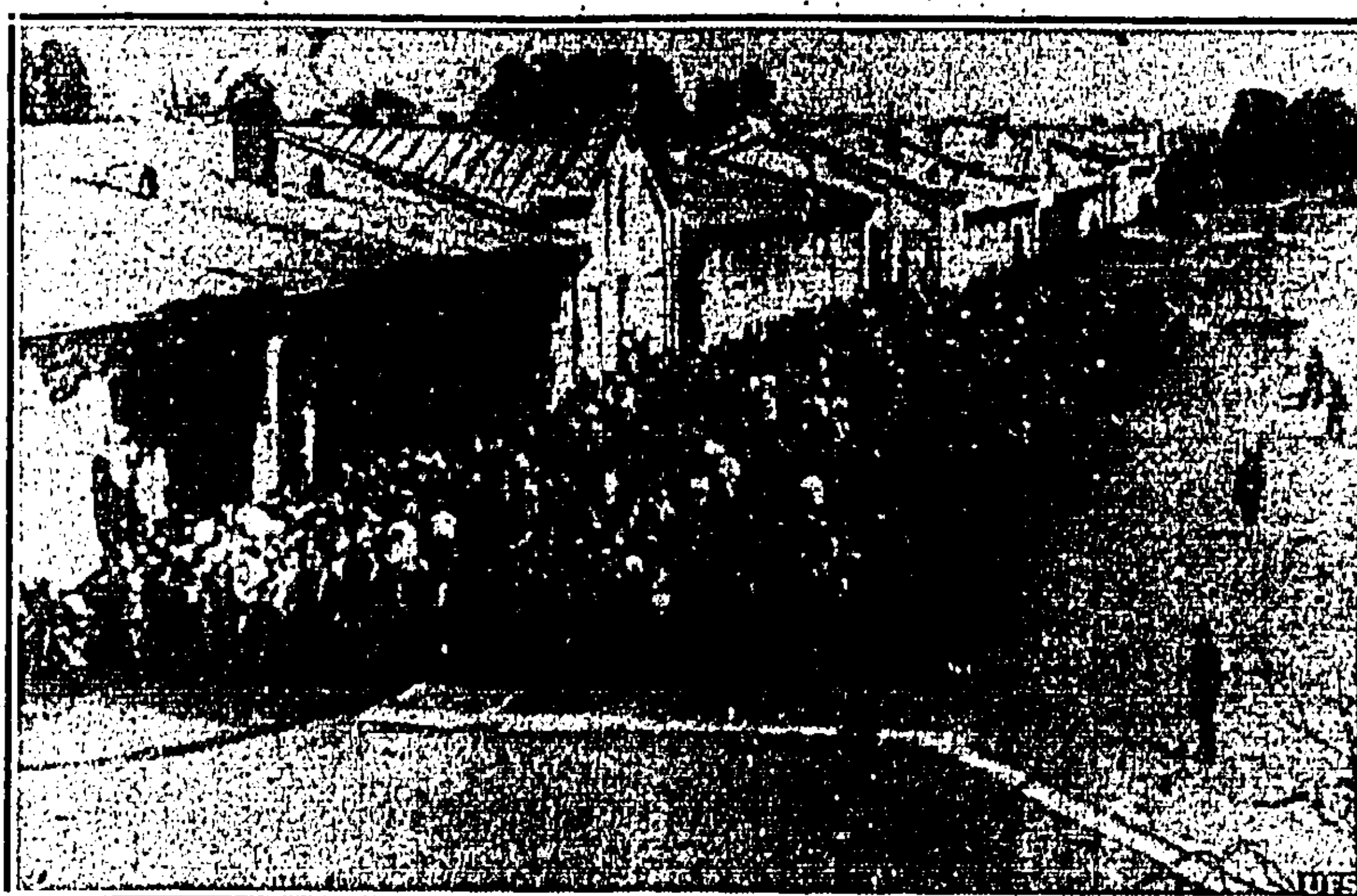
♠ 6 4
♥ A K 7 5 4 3 2
♦ Q 7
♣ 9 8

♠ A J 10 9
♥ 7 8
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♣ 5 4

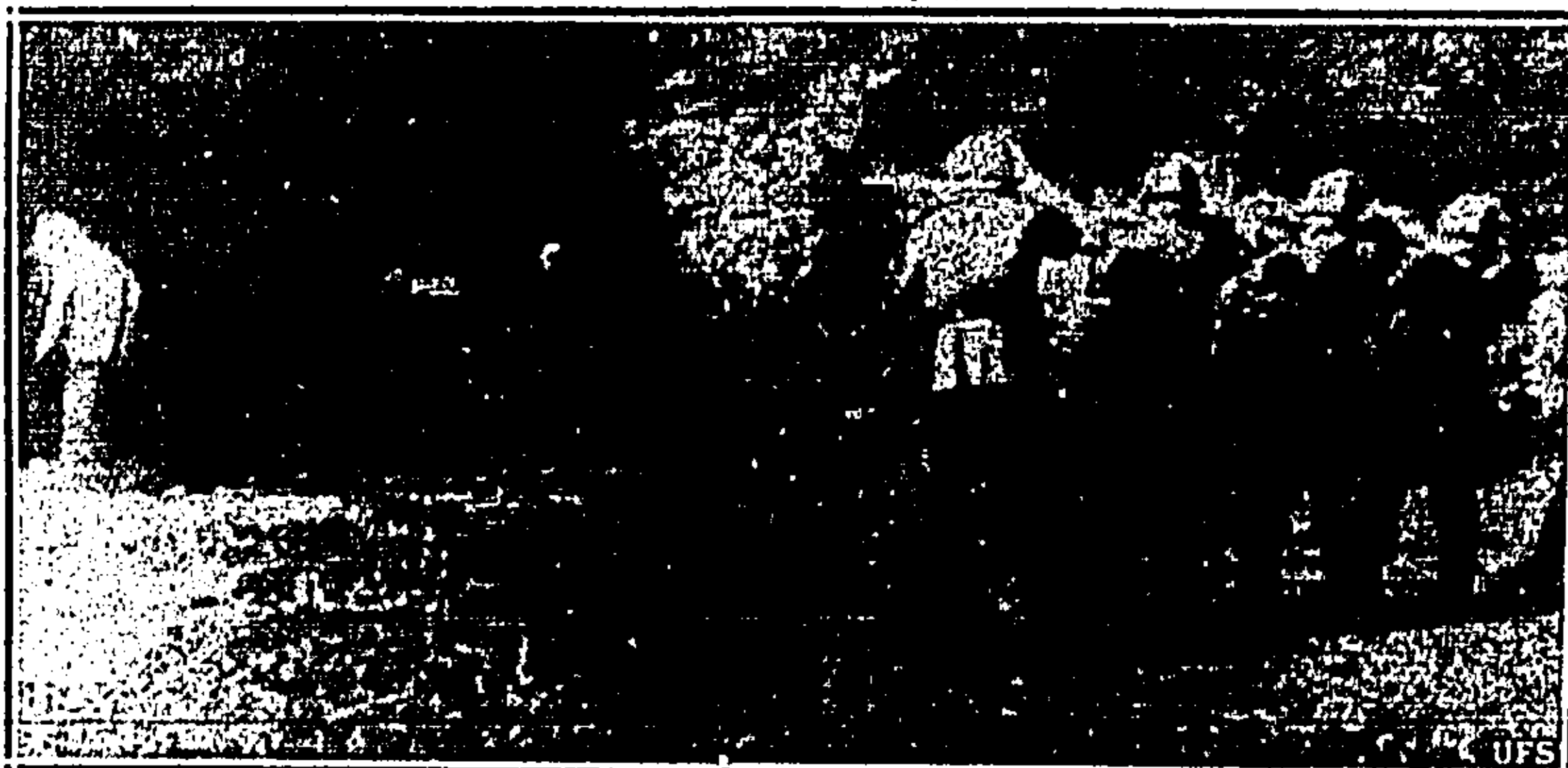
♠ K Q 8
♥ 9
♦ A K 10 9 8 6 4
♣ K 3

How should South play his five diamond contract? Opening lead, club ten.

"New Order" in Poland



Once these were free citizens of the Polish Republic. Now they are herded like cattle under the guard of German military police, to be taken from Warsaw to a concentration camp at Oswiecim. Reports assert that the Nazis have slain 40,000 civilian Poles in six months.



Civilians in Poland who give the slightest opposition to Nazi domination are quickly eliminated. This picture, smuggled out of Poland, shows a firing squad in action at Palmira, near Warsaw, as Nazi terror stalks the land.

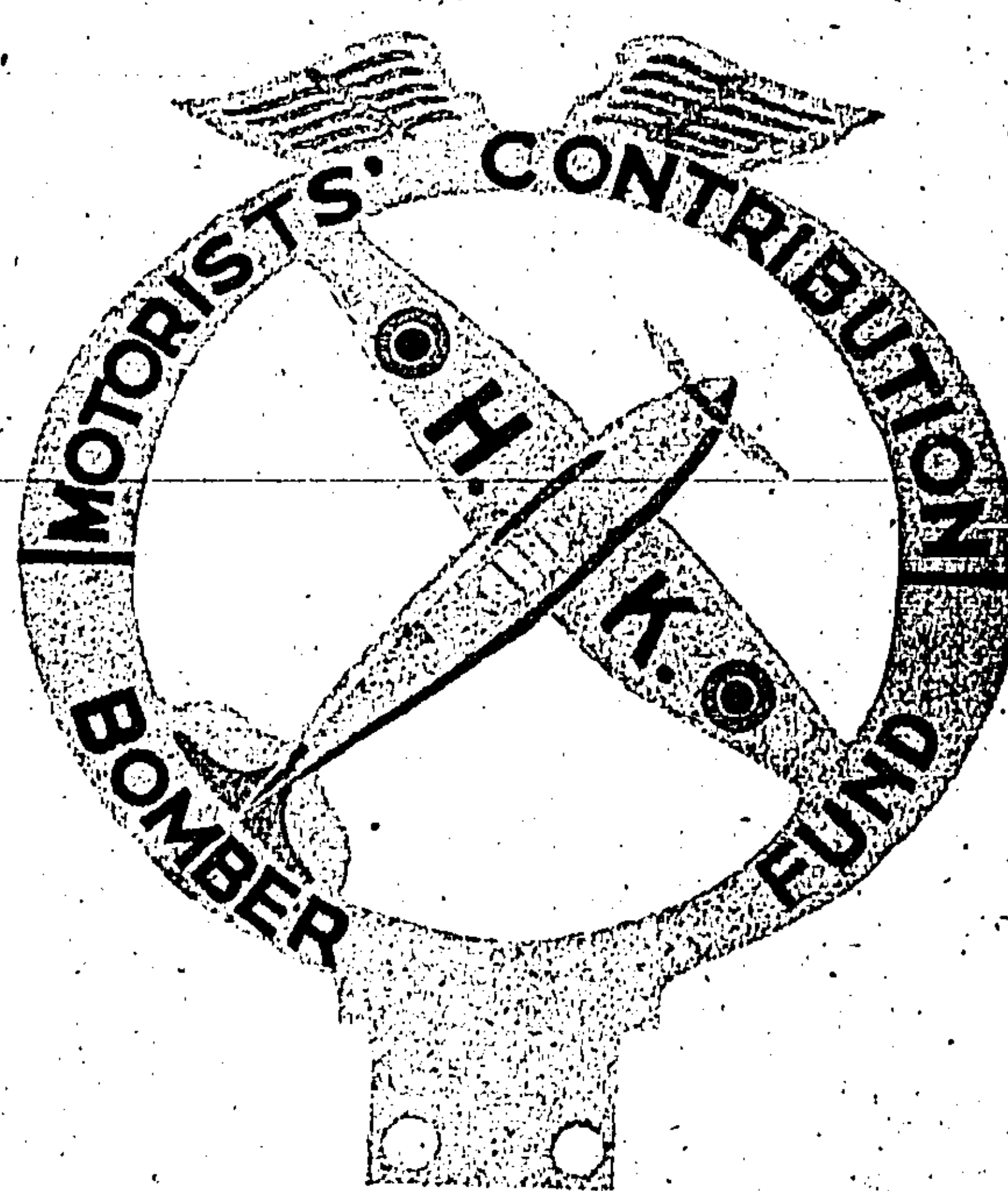
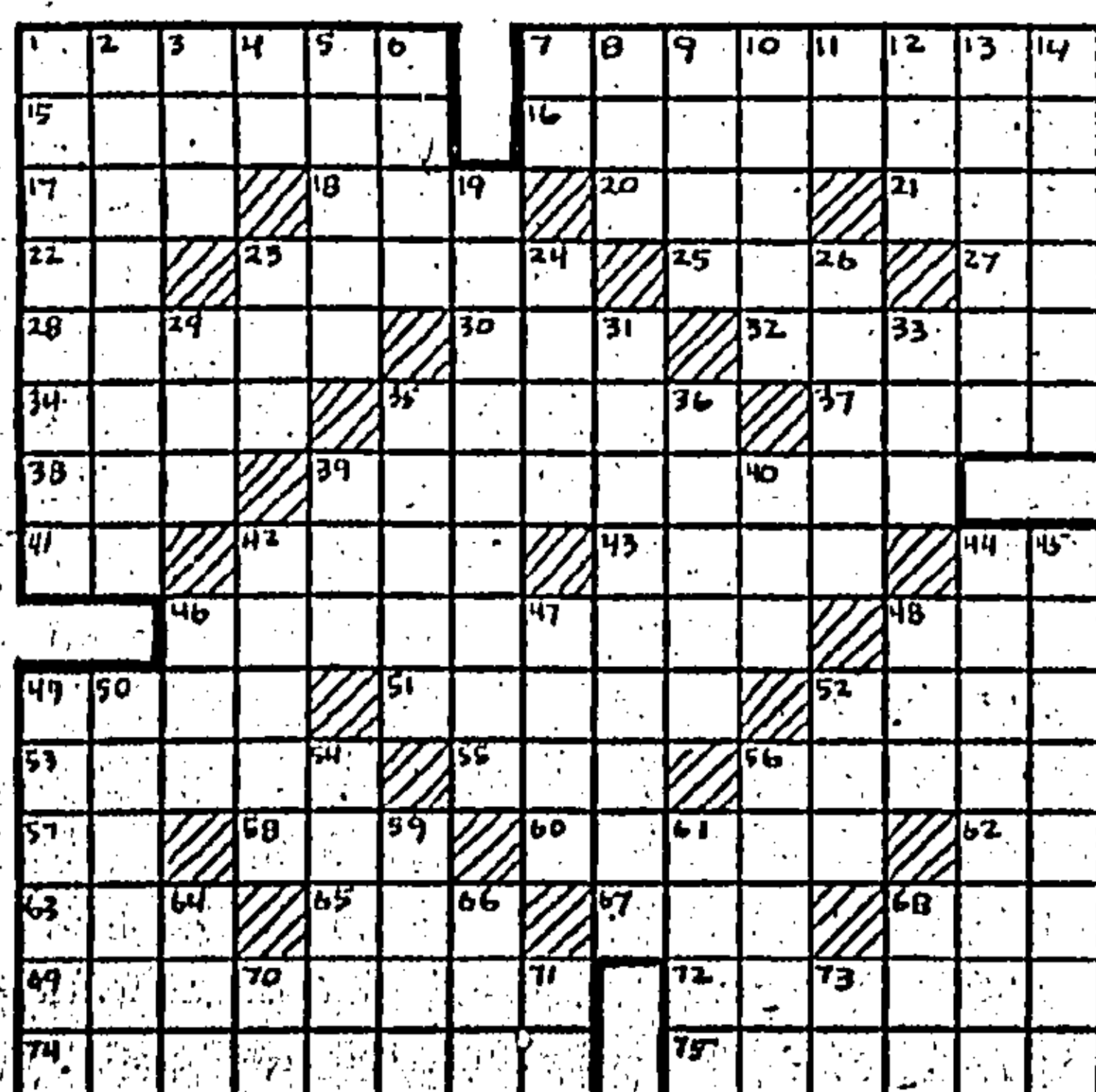
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1—Agreement
7—Come together into one
13—Feeling of longing
16—Cured
17—Branch of learning
18—Excavated
20—Quintessence of one held by others (col.)
21—Small cushion
22—Toward vicinity of
23—Cavalry weapon
24—With allowance for holder
27—Affirmative answer (Spanish)
28—Indian tribe
29—Love poem
30—Currency unit in India
34—Richest son of Iliad
35—Overthrow
37—Young men
38—Male person
39—Comedy
41—Public announcement (col.)
43—Appetizer to spine
44—Parade of food
45—Imperial pronoun
46—Interpretation, as of musical composition
48—Single
51—Man's name
52—Dyna-centimeters
53—Child's dream
54—Plain
56—Of dark complexion
57—Egyptian deity
58—Joyous
60—Being between two extremes (law)

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE
1—Credit (abbr.)
2—On top of (poetic)
3—Pavement of
4—Hearty assent
5—Sufferer from dread disease
6—Publicity manager (abbr.)
7—Holds slowly
8—Police
9—Belonging to Ed
10—22nd subway
11—French color
12—British Foreign
13—Pine silk
14—Dressed
15—Olives out rays
16—Give money to
17—Drive out, as vowels
18—One of three singers each
19—Cooling blast
20—Tavern
21—Short and pointed
22—Unreliable ones
23—Most touchy
24—Male basic
25—Are crowded
26—Mouth
27—Try hard
28—Very heavy
29—Female sheep
30—Unwilling insistent
31—Feeling
32—Catch in net
33—Small children
34—(col.) origin
35—Conjunction
36—Book
37—Treat
38—Note of scale
39—Nihilist; pertaining to
40—Near

DOWN
61—South American mammal
62—Cliff's dam
63—Giant's thumb
64—Large body of water
65—Western Indian
66—Private warfare
67—Removes traces of
68—Wrote on back of
69—Thoroughly dislike
70—Ecclesiastical curse
71—Drunk deeply
72—Blash
73—Stone
74—Type of fort
75—Slippery application



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LITTLE DOING IN MIDDLE EAST

CAIRO, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—A British Middle East communiqué issued to-day states:

"Abyss.—Except for bombing raids by the enemy, the situation at Tobruk yesterday was quiet. "Frontier Area.—Our mechanized patrols sighted patrols of enemy armoured fighting vehicles which withdrew before they could be engaged."

Chemical Works

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. bombed the chemical works at Crotonne, southern Italy, on Monday, leaving the whole objective a mass of flames.

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The King has sent a message of sympathy to Lady Willingdon.

CANADIAN STEEL

OTTAWA, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The formation of a wartime Steel Advisory Committee was announced by Mr. C. D. Howe, Canadian Minister of Munitions and Supply, to-day.

"The Committee will advise the steel controller and Mr. Howe himself on the methods of ensuring steel supplies for Canada's war effort."

U.S. Minister To Thailand Resigns

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, has announced the resignation of Mr. Hugh G. Grant, Minister to Thailand. He said that the resignation was submitted some time ago but had just been accepted. The resignation was not connected with the current Pacific development.

NAZI "JUSTICE."—Two German soldiers were killed in a tavern brawl in Wawer, near Warsaw, Poland. The tavern owner was charged with the responsibility by the Germans and he was hanged outside his door. This is one of the pictures smuggled out of Poland after a Gestapo agent was paid highly.

Patriotic Even In Death Chair

"I would die happy if only the Japs were out of China," said Wong Hui, Chinese convict, just before his execution for murder. They were his last words on the electric chair in St. Quentin goal (California). He was executed for having slain three fellow Chinese.

Bombing Of China From French Bases

LONDON, Aug. 14 (Reuter).—Japanese naval aircraft operating from bases in Indo-China have heavily bombed key points in the Chinese hinterland and the Chinese arsenal at Kunming.

LAST WEEK of SPECIAL BARGAINS

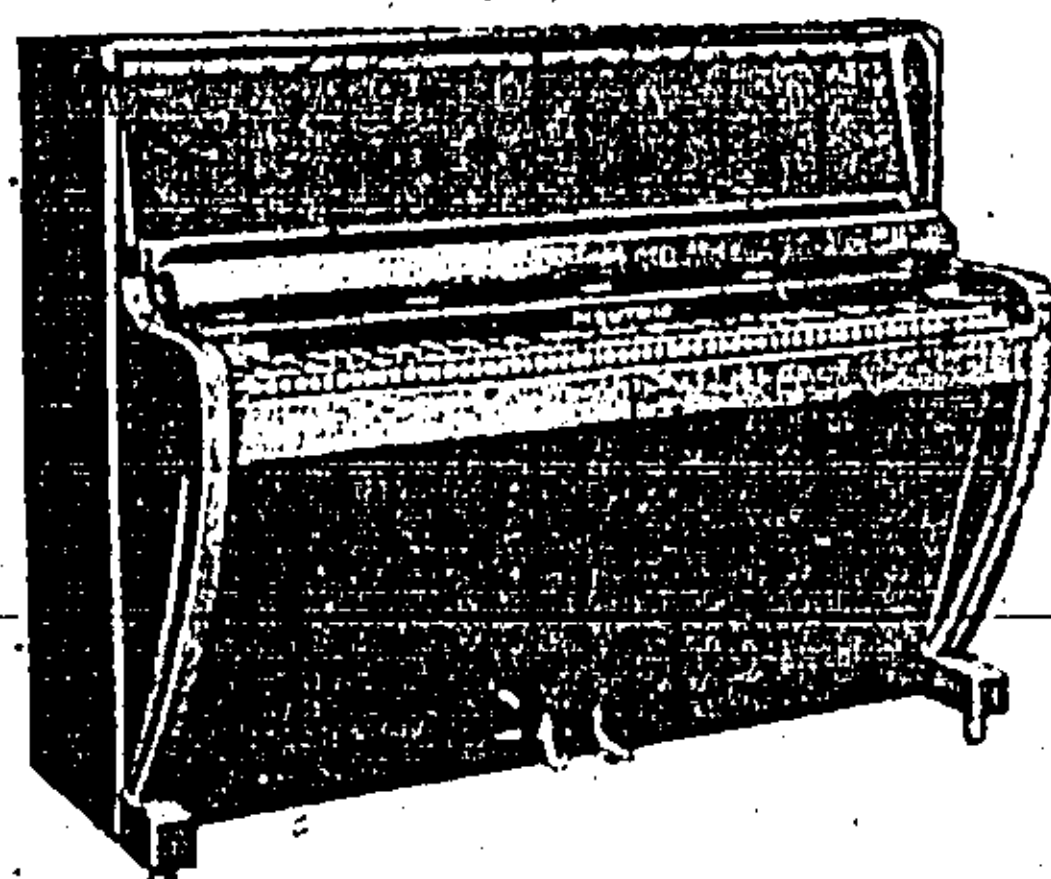
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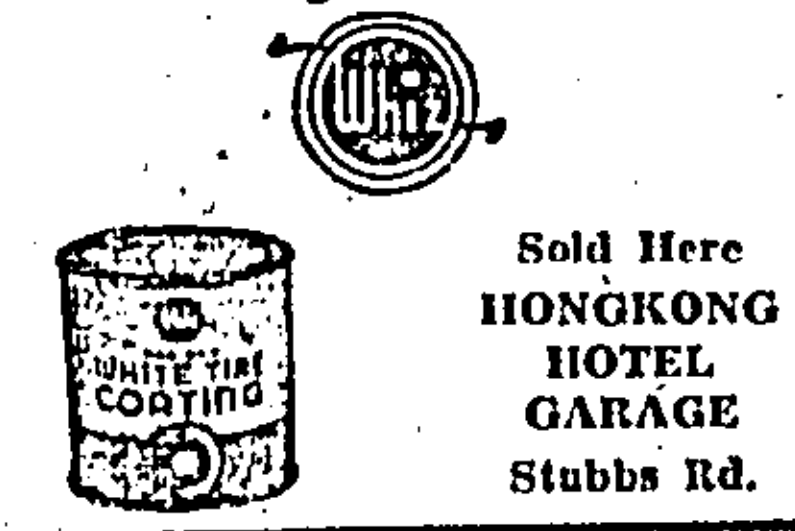
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TURKEY AND IRAN

BEHIND the polite language which His Majesty's Government has used to conceal its anxiety as to the position of Turkey, and Iran there lies a very firm determination to solidify our present firm position in the Middle East and to avoid a repetition of the unfortunate affair of Iraq. With regard to Turkey who is our friend and will no doubt continue to remain our friend, there is sympathetic realisation of her position as a buffer between ourselves and the enemy, or a gateway to attack for either side according to the inclination of her Government. We shall not force Turkey to become a gateway for us; but we shall resist German pressure tactics to achieve entry for herself with the greatest resolve, and Turkey should have learned from the unhappy examples around them that if she is forced from neutrality her whole future—in honour and in material—lies entirely with the victory of the Allies.

The arrival of the Nazis at their very door caused a considerable moderation in the Turks' support of the Allies but they have not turned their face from us utterly. Adept Nazi propaganda is attempting to force a wedge between Turkey and the Russo-British combination which backs up Turkey. The remembrance of the snubs which Istanbul inflicted on Berlin in bolder days are not forgotten; once the Nazis have forced the door of Turkey's neutrality she can expect to become a more or less subject nation.

With regard to Iran, whose king was confirmed in his early military command by Field Marshal Ironside at a time when Russia and Britain were politically struggling for domination of the country, the position depends entirely on the whim of Reza Shah who is an absolute ruler. In blitzkrieg days there is no time to dilly-dally at playing off one interest against another and nowadays Britain and Russia, the two Powers in a position to exercise immediate pressure, are at one.

Ismet Inonu... Turkey's Little Man With a Big Fist

ISMET, INONU, PRESIDENT OF TURKEY and Commander-in-Chief of her Army, is a gray-haired little man, short and slim, and afflicted with deafness which probably began when he was an artillery officer. He is unusually soft spoken and even gentle in his manner. His deafness is famous in diplomatic circles where its convenience is proverbial. In Turkey's modern history he stands second only to the late Kemal Ataturk, swash-buckling founder of the Turkey we know to-day. But there were times when even Kemal had to listen to Ismet.

In July, 1923, the new Turkey had just risen from the ruins of the one-time Ottoman Empire and had concluded a peace treaty with Britain, France, Italy and Greece at Lausanne. When I reached Lausanne on my way from Washington to Ankara, the new Turkish capital in Asia Minor, I called upon Gen. Ismet Pasha, then Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs and chief Turkish delegate to the Peace Conference.

"THE UNITED STATES," said Ismet with emphasis, "is probably the only power in the world with which we Orientals can deal without any fear whatever. Americans are interested in sound business and not in political influence and conquest. That's the main reason why we Turks feel admiration and friendship for America."

And now that we've made peace with England, what do you think Britain's policy toward Turkey is going to be?" he asked suddenly.

"It is my firm belief," I said, "that the British are going to become sincere friends of Turkey."

"I agree," said Ismet slowly. He seemed to reflect for a moment, then added, "If Britain becomes our friend, we will pay back friendship with friendship. Anglo-Turkish co-operation would be one of the greatest stabilising factors for world peace."

ISMET INONU was born in Smyrna, main port of Asia Minor, in 1884. His father was in the Turkish civil service. In 1904 he got his commission as an artillery lieutenant in the army of the notorious Sultan, Abdul the Damned. He played an important part in the so-called Young Turk revolution of 1908 which freed his country from the tyrant.

I first saw him in 1917. He was passing through Aleppo, the biggest city of Syria, on his way from Constantinople to Palestine to assume command of an army corps which was facing Lord Allenby's troops near the still extant biblical city of Bir-Sheba.

"Do you see that little fellow there?" asked a Turkish captain who saw me off on my way to Damascus. "He's standing right there, talking to the station-master. That's Ismet, the man of law and order, he's a sissy and a pedant, but I know him well. He's one of the toughest fellows in the Turkish Army."

In requiring the suppression of subversive German activities in Iran, Iran would do well to remember Mr. Churchill's words: "We have a right and the will to fight the Germans wherever we find them."



He doesn't like the "New Order"

By EDWARD J. BING

In 1918, Allenby smashed the Turkish front in Palestine. The Turkish Empire crumbled. The Allies occupied Constantinople. 10 days, the Turks reached Kemal Ataturk escaped to Asia Minor and raised the standard of revolt. The Greeks were masters of the western third of Asiatic Turkey. To resist the Allies, Kemal Pasha had scraped together a makeshift army of deserters, marauders and "Circassian volunteers" who were in reality bandits, while he was trying to raise a regular army.

ALL roads from Constantinople to the interior were watched to prevent Turkish patriots from going over to Kemal the rebel. One dark evening in 1919, a ragged-looking man in a torn military uniform, made his way out of heavily guarded Constantinople. The soldier entered upon a long, weary trek through Asia Minor, through the Greek front line and devastated villages. Eventually he reached the GHQ of Kemal Pasha. One of Kemal's men took a look at the unkempt, ragged figure.

"Ismet Pasha!" he cried. "Allah has brought Your Excellency to us! Ethamduillah! Allah be praised!"

The man of law and order had joined the outlawed rebel. He

along was worth an entire modern army. And he promptly set about making one.

Ismet became Kemal's right-handman, his most trusted lieutenant.

First, Ismet insisted that there must be law and order in the Turkish rebel army.

In the following year, when the well equipped and brave Greek Army made its great offensive in Asia Minor, Ismet, in direct command of the new Turkish western army, brought their offensive to a halt at Inonu, the village which gave him his surname a few years later when every Turk was bound by law to adopt a family name.

Allied Commander-in-Chief in Constantinople and later Governor of Gibraltar, rose and held out his hand to Ismet who stood up and took the Briton's hand across the table. It was the first handshake between the two, and the first between their nations since 1914. That handshake has not been loosened since.

FROM 1924 to 1927 and again from 1930 until 1937, Ismet held the post of Prime Minister almost without interruption. With Kemal Ataturk in the Presidency, Ismet was in direct charge of modern Turkey's reform programme. Harems and polygamy were abolished by law. Women were

given an equal legal status to the men's, and got the vote. The Swiss civil law code and a brand new criminal code on the Western model were adopted. The fez and the turban were replaced by the western hat, the veil of the women by the dress of their American and European sisters.

But little soft spoken and deaf Ismet still found fault with many things. He was loyal to the man, but was no yes man. He repeatedly criticised the private life of Kemal, who was a unique combination of a military genius, inspired reformer, chronic drunkard and debauchee. In his moments of leisure, Kemal was surrounded by a handful of satellites who were the companions of his orgies. Ismet detested them and ordered picked troops to they tentatively ignored them, and the private life of Kemal, who was a good father and husband, Every man, in his carefully pressed uniform, looked as if he had just come from parade.

AT THE SAME TIME, the man of law and order did not overlook a detail of his job. He ordered picked troops to they tentatively ignored them, and the private life of Kemal, who was a good father and husband, Every man, in his carefully pressed uniform, looked as if he had just come from parade. Ismet had a military band play twice a day in front of the building where the armistice conference met.

When the conference ended in agreement, I asked Ismet to admit us newspapermen for the signing and we were there when the Allied generals, Ismet, and his chief of staff, filed into the small room. When it was over Gen. Sir Charles Harrington, Ismet candidly remarked by Ismet about Ataturk's drunkenness while attending to important public business, Ataturk brusquely dismissed his most faithful collaborator from the Premiership. Ismet withdrew to private life. Later, Kemal repeatedly expressed his regret and repentance of his act. But in Ismet's character there is only one thing that is even stronger than his loyalty to friends—his loyalty to his life's motto: "law and order."

When Ataturk died in the fall of 1938, the Turkish people unanimously made little Ismet of the soft spoken word and the iron will the head of the State and Army.

His job is not yet completed. But one thing is sure. Like many of his countrymen, Ismet got a 100 per cent picture of German methods and policies in 1914-18, when the Germans, Turkey's allies in name, were feverishly engaged in carrying out their traditional Berlin-Bagdad project. He is not likely to have any illusions about the worth of Hitler's "new order."

AIR POWER IN THE FAR EAST

With 2,500 planes—each tain and the United States, to larger, speedier and better the "unsatisfactory" attitude of manned than the estimated 2,000 Japanese can muster—in the Far East, Britain, the United States.

States and the Dutch East Indies now have a safe edge over Japan in the air, declares the military correspondent of the New York "World-Telegram."

The Democracies, he says, have stymied Japan with air power in the Pacific, thus allowing the United States to violate her time-honoured strategic ban against dividing her sea force in the face of a potential enemy.

Transfer from the Pacific to the Atlantic of sufficient vessels of the U.S. Fleet to permit the occupation of Iceland and to establish a steel laneway to within 600 miles of Britain would not have been risked six months ago.

It has been risked now, says the correspondent, because of the new importance of air power and because the world's heaviest bombers are now at Pacific stations.

In addition, American airmen are teaching the Chinese how to give the Japanese more than shadow boxing, while Russia has about 1,000 planes near Vladivostok, 641 miles from Tokyo and only 577 miles from Yokohama.

This and other factors lead to renewed complaints by the Japanese Press of Britain's "policy of encirclement" in the Far East, and Japanese newspapers, led by the semi-official "Donri" news agency, are reporting from various places alleged anti-Japanese moves. Otto Toltschus, New York "Times" correspondent in Tokyo, says the Press increasingly refers to "encirclement" by Bri-

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I could dance with you like this forever, Marge, only my wind ain't so good!"

MENZIES' PLACE DURING CRISIS

SYDNEY, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—It is essential for Australia to have permanent representation in the London Cabinet because her future, as never before, depends on Imperial policy and strategy, said Sir Earle Page, Minister of Commerce, in a statement to-day. He added that the disposition of Empire forces is of supreme importance to her security.

Australia's voice in London must be authoritative but at the same time the Government must be carried on in Australia. Proposals which Mr R. G. Menzies, the Prime Minister, is submitting to Parliament will remove doubts on that score.

Mr Menzies is the best man to represent Australia. Much depends on Australia showing a bold united front when Parliament meets. The psychological effect of a demonstration of national solidarity would be immense, he concluded.

Opposition
SYDNEY, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—While the Labour Opposition leader, Mr John Curtin, has not yet committed himself on the proposal that the Prime Minister, Mr R. G. Menzies, should go to London for war consultation, his Deputy Leader Mr Forde, and the former Federal High Court Justice Dr J. W. Evans, and Mr J. A. Beasley, who comprise the Labour representation on the Federal War Council, announce their opposition to Mr Menzies' departure for London.

Their opposition is based on the ground that Mr Menzies' place is in Australia at this critical time. Several New South Wales members of the Federal Parliament also oppose the proposal.

Cabinet Business
MELBOURNE, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Australian War Cabinet to-day considered matters of high policy in consultation with the service chiefs. They also further discussed the Far Eastern situation and later reviewed soldiers' pay.

Mr P. C. Spender, Minister for War, announced that allotments to dependents of missing soldiers would be payable for six months after soldiers are reported missing. There was a discussion on the procedure to implement the Cabinet request that Mr Menzies should proceed to London and it is expected that it will be further considered in a War Council meeting on August 14. It is probable also that the resolution will be submitted to both Houses of Parliament separately.

The support of a large majority of the Labour caucus is expected although interest at the moment is centred on sessional Party meetings.

Wants Resignation
MELBOURNE, Aug. 13 (UP).—A spokesman of the strong wing of the Labour Party said that the Party was demanding that Mr R. G. Menzies, the Premier, resign his office to London. He stated that the bloc would approve another trip by Mr Menzies to London only if he quits the Premiership.

SABOTAGE IN AMERICA
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MANHATTAN, N.Y., Aug. 13 (UP).—The Government to-day joined the local authorities who are investigating the sabotage of machinery in the strike-bound American Brake Shoe Foundry Company where Sheriff William Browne stated that saboteurs had poured sand into the oil cups of the powerhouse machinery, broke pressure gauges and stop-cocks and removed breaking pins from the yard locomotive and crane.

The strikers flatly denied responsibility. The plant makes test bombs and bomb-casings.

AIR RAID DEATHS
LONDON, Aug. 13 (British Wire- less).—Altogether 501 persons were killed and 447 injured as the result of air raids on the United Kingdom during July, announces the Ministry of Home Security.

PETSAMO RAID DETAILS

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Many girls' names and many messages from blitzed towns like Coventry and Plymouth were painted on the noses of torpedoes (tin fish) which were launched by the Fleet Air Arm in their raid on Petsamo and Kirkenes a fortnight ago.

Many of the messages, said Commander Nimmning, broadcasting to the night on the raid, bore the mark of the humorist such as "I hope you see the point of this," and "As this is your meatless day, here's some fish" and "This is not propaganda, it's a proper basket" or words to that effect.

Two Aircraft Carriers
It was disclosed that the force was under the command of Admiral Wake-Walker and included the aircraft carriers Victorious and Furious. They had hoped to spring a complete surprise but just before zero hour low clouds gave place to a clear sky and they were spotted by an enemy plane which raced away to give the alarm.

The crews and planes were ready and were quickly away, but the enemy plane had done its job and fighters were soon attacking the Fleet Air Arm planes. In fact the first message to be picked up by the carriers was the pilot of one plane radioing to another, "Don't look round now, but there's a 109 on your tail."

Heavy Losses
Eventually the first of the raiders with an escort returned, but it was soon evident that a number were missing. Actually 16 planes were lost although the crews lost are known to include 19 prisoners of war and one crew which landed behind the Russian lines are now back in Britain.

Of the effect of the raid, there was little doubt. Although the planes did not hang around to see the run and explosion of each "fish," they were well and truly aimed and it is believed that the damage was probably in excess of the Admiralty claims. These were two hits on the Nazi Warship Bremse and hits on at least four supply ships at Kirkenes where four enemy aircraft were shot down.

At Petsamo, "great damage was done to the port facilities."

Australian Aircraft Production

MELBOURNE, Aug. 14 (Reuter).—Senator J. W. Leckie, Minister for Aircraft Production, stated to-day that Australia would produce planes worth £220,000,000 in 1942 compared with £7,000,000 in 1941.

They will be of all types, from trainers to modern bombers. Mr Leckie added that Beauforts would soon be coming off the production line at a steady rate.

BISHOP WILSON INDUCTED
SINGAPORE, Aug. 13 (Central News).—The Very Reverend J. L. Wilson, formerly Dean of St John's Cathedral, Hongkong, was inducted as third Bishop of Singapore at St Andrew's Cathedral to-day in an impressive ritual in which Chinese masters participated.

Funeral of Bdr. D. E. Smith

The funeral took place yesterday with military honours of Bdr. D. E. Smith of the Hongkong Volunteers who was killed when a searchlight lorry, returning from manoeuvres at Cape d'Agullar overturned on a steep hillside. This photograph was taken at the graveside.—Ming Yuen.



ASSURANCES TO TURKEY

Allies Blast Nazi Hopes

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Britain and Russia have promised full aid to Turkey if she is attacked by a European power, writes "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent. This latest dramatic turn in the international situation was made known on Tuesday night with an announcement that declarations in identical terms had been presented by both countries to the Turkish Foreign Office.

The declarations make it clear that both Britain and Russia intend to remain faithful to the Montreux Convention and have no aggressive intentions or claims regarding the Straits.

At various periods during this war, Turkey has been subjected to some pressure by other nations, which, if it had succeeded, would have cut across her understandings with Britain.

Turkish Loyalty
At every juncture, however, Turkey has reasserted her loyalty to all her obligations to Britain and her allies, and even when she signed the trade agreement with Germany some months ago she made clear that it had no effect upon her treaty with Britain.

Many attempts have been made in German and Italian propaganda drives to separate Turkey from Britain but none have succeeded in providing the desired wedge. "Turkey is our friend and ally. The Turkish Government have kept us fully informed of the progress of recent negotiations with the German Government," declared Mr Anthony Eden in Parliament last June, and it was only last week again in the House of Commons that Mr Eden reaffirmed Britain's friendship with Turkey and rejected suggestions of any arrangement at Turkey's expense. Britain, said Mr Eden, would continue to observe loyally the Anglo-Turkish treaty, believing that the friendship between this country and Turkey would be a lasting contribution to European understanding both during and after the war.

Ministers Met
Mr Eden met Mr Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, at Cyprus in March, and the official report stated that they "re-emphasised the complete identity of views which existed between their two Governments."

As recently as last month, great pleasure was expressed in Turkey at the establishment of British military authority in Syria because it was said that "Turkey had become neighbours with their British ally."

The joint assurance now given to Turkey is intended to dispel the effect of Axis propaganda and remove the least suspicion that Britain and Russia had come to an understanding or agreement at Turkey's expense.

Blow To Nazis
LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Anglo-Soviet declaration to Turkey is a severe blow to German intrigues and hopes in the near East. Its immediate effect lies in the fact that not merely have great Britain and Soviet Russia jointly undertaken to help Turkey against any attack by the Axis, but Turkey has accepted and warmly welcomed this guarantee.

It not only amounts to a renewal of the Turko-British Treaty but is a virtual re-insurance with the endorsement of Soviet Russia. Thus, instead of inducing Turkey to denounce her mutual obligations with Great Britain, Germany, in spite of all her pressure and propaganda, sees these obligations reaffirmed by Great Britain, supported by Soviet Russia and accepted with appreciation by Turkey.

Issues Clarified
The Anglo-Russian declarations give the lie in a most effective and emphatic manner to German insinuations regarding Russian designs on the Straits of the Dardanelles, by which Germany has attempted to poison relations, not only between Turkey and Russia, but between Britain and Turkey as well.

The declarations constitute a striking example of intimate collaboration between the two countries and prepare the way for even closer relations with Turkey. The present step is only the beginning.

They also indicate the new spirit governing Russian foreign policy which has recently been made plain in the Russian-Polish Pact, in agreement with the Czech Government, and in the promise of Soviet support and free and equal collaboration with all independent nations resisting Hitlerite aggression.

Treaty Unchanged
ANKARA, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Anglo-Soviet declaration has in no way altered the terms of the 1930 Treaty nor does it enlarge on the limits or obligations of this year increased by 50 per cent to British India, 56 per cent to Hongkong, 139 per cent to Burma and 238 per cent to Malaya.

U. S. ARMS IN SOUTH PACIFIC

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, Aug. 13 (Domei).—The United States arms exports to the South Pacific jumped from 50 to 200 per cent as compared with the first quarter of last year, the "Chugai Shogyo" correspondent in Shanghai reports.

The United States has been sending nothing but war materials to the South Pacific, the paper points out. This clearly indicates to what extent the United States is extending aid to the British defences in the Far East. United States exports of essential war materials during the first quarter of this year increased by 50 per cent to British India, 56 per cent to Hongkong, 139 per cent to Burma and 238 per cent to Malaya.

The United States imported during the period U.S.\$90,730,000 of raw materials from these regions, the report asserts.

Airgraph Letters To Services

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Queen will inaugurate a new service of airgraph letters to the Middle East forces by sending a message to General Sir Claude Auchinleck, the Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East, on Friday.

The Postmaster-General and War Office announce that technical arrangements are now completed for messages to be sent on and after Friday to the Middle East and East Africa forces and warships in the Eastern Mediterranean, including fleet auxiliaries and merchantmen requisitioned for naval and military service.

"Postage" will be 3d. It is expected that letters will reach the base in a fortnight.

War Exercises In America

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The biggest war exercises in the history of the west coast began at dawn to-day when a mythical invading fleet was sighted by the Los Angeles Coast Guard.

There have been two days of a "war of nerves" while the attackers feinted, obviously with the intention of spreading out the defenders.

Dig guns at Fort Worden opened fire but the umpires ruled that the fort was destroyed after 10 minutes.

The imaginary fleet continued towards Sound to Seattle. The huge McChord Airfield and half the defending air force were judged destroyed.

Dutch Give Generously

LONDON, Aug. 13 (British Wire- less).—Free Dutch people living in more than 40 countries have been contributing an average of 1,000,000 guilders (£130,000) per month during the past year to the General War Weapons Fund.

Prince Bernhard, giving this news in a broadcast on Radio Orange from England, added that the money of the fund had so far provided 30 bombers, 85 fighters and three night fighters for the Allied air forces.

Far East Convoys Arrive Safely

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The safe arrival of all convoys in the Far East during the past few months without the loss of a single officer or airman by enemy action is announced by the Air Ministry.

This is a great tribute to the vigilance and efficiency of the escorting warships and aircraft, which passed on the convoys one to the other throughout the 10,000-mile journey.

The convoys carried many thousands to swell the ranks of the R.A.F. in the Far East. The voyage from a northern port in Britain of one liner and her arrival in Singapore a few days ago with a large number of officers and men was typical of many voyages of this year by other convoys.

It was the second liner to arrive in Singapore during the last fortnight. "We have not had the smell of a U-boat or a Condor (German long-range monoplane)," was the comment of one officer on arrival.

Warship Escorts
"Of course we had had warships mothering us the whole time and in some areas of the route we were continuously protected from air attack or sinking submarines by destroyers, Blenheims, Hudsons or Sunderlands."

"In fact, the journey was so peaceful and comfortable that we might have been travelling in pre-war days, for although the voyage was long and rather tedious, especially in the Tropics it was a comfortable passage and entirely without incident."

Additional Personnel
These officers and airmen are not replacing others going home at the end of their term of duty but are reinforcements needed to staff new aerodromes now in operation in Malaya and Burma. Most of these men come from important bomber, fighter and coastal stations in Britain and all have first-hand experience of day and night air war. Their knowledge of active war is an immense help to those with whom they are now working.

Formidable Indian Army

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SIMLA, Aug. 13 (UP).—Broadcasting over the all-India radio network, General Sir Auchinleck, Warvel revealed that there is already nearly three quarters of a million Indians under arms, with recruits flowing into the depots "as fast as we can provide for them."

"Meanwhile, modern equipment and weapons on the necessary scale are now coming both from India's factories and overseas."

The General expressed satisfaction over the training of the Indian army's northern and western Commands which he recently inspected, saying, "Our future efforts must continue to prevent the enemy, wherever possible, from getting within striking distance of this country."

India Closes Sanctions Gap

SIMLA, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Government of India have taken steps to close a leak in the recent Japanese freezing orders to which attention has been drawn.

No goods imported from the Japanese Empire or China shall be cleared whether they are for home consumption or for shipment to a foreign port unless the Customs are satisfied that the whole carriage, insurance and freight value, excepting such part of it as has been paid before July 20, has been paid into a blocked account or the owner has "produced an order from the Government of India permitting clearance."

The prohibition does not apply to goods imported from China by land to Burma and from there by sea or land to India.

BUS SMASHED TO BITS

A relief bus, proceeding towards Talkoo yesterday afternoon was smashed to bits when it was involved in an accident outside of the Ritz a North Point.

The bus carried no passengers at the time, but the driver was seriously injured and is now in a critical condition in hospital, while the conductor also sustained severe injuries.

It appears that the vehicle was proceeding towards Talkoo when somebody crossed the road, causing the bus to swerve to the right. It then swerved back towards the left turned completely round and hit the pavement, after which the body work collapsed, the car finally finishing on its "back."

MR DUFF COOPER TO SPEAK

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—Mr Duff Cooper will make a broadcast from New York next Sunday but the topic has not yet been revealed.

On Thursday, he addresses the National Press Club at a luncheon in Washington after which he will confer with Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

League Matches Might Start Later

Present Conditions Uncomfortable

Kowloon F.C. And K. Tong Fight For Promotion

ACCORDING to a Royal Observatory announcement, the temperature on Saturday was 92.5 degrees, but at the Club where I was playing the thermometer read 94 in the shade. This latter reading was probably inaccurate; yet it was far too hot for comfort and the sight of players walking up and down under the blazing sun, I should imagine, is a strong enough argument for matches to commence at 4.30 or even at 5 p.m.

Greens everywhere were "fiery" and good control was needed for high-standard bowling. There were no upsets in the League programme, which provided Craigengower C.C. with another clean sweep in the First Division.

Craigengower's victims on this occasion were Kowloon B.C.C. who, up against the Valley side on a strange green, were defeated on all three rinks and on aggregate by 17 shots.

A feature of the match was a seven by U. M. Omar, who beat A. J. Hall for his twelfth consecutive victory. This was scored when Hall was leading 14-7 and thus on one head Omar wiped out the deficit.

Actually he should have had a possible, already lying, seven, he had the last wood. He had only to play on his own cluster of woods round the jack to get eight, but was a trifle heavy, pushing one out of the count although his own remained.

Up to this stage, Hall had been playing a steady game, saving his rink time and time again. On nearly all of the first six or seven heads, I am told, Hall found the shots against him when he went down to roll but he seldom failed. However, he could not keep it up and was finally beaten by ten shots.

DESPITE losing on two rinks, the Police, thanks to J. Shepherd's rink, took the major share of the points from Kowloon Docks at Happy Valley. W. McLeod, W. B. Hurris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd beat R. Lapsley, J. Mackie, T. Coleman and M. Ferguson by 13 shots, and this was enough to give the Police a win on aggregate.

E. G. Post figured in a rather peculiar game against A. M. Calman. He opened his scoring with a seven and then later dropped a six, finally losing by two shots.

J. C. S. Fender, the third Police skip, also had a close match against F. Cullen, being beaten by two shots. Had Fender had his regular front men playing with him, he probably would have won.

ON the next green, the Indians won their second away match of the season at the expense of the rather weak Civil Servants. Their first, strangely enough, was against the champions before the latter lost interest in the championship.

Even with A. K. Minu's rink beating H. E. Strange's by 15 shots, and M. H. Abbas beating J. W. Deakin's by 14, the Indians had only six shots to spare in the end. This was due to the 23-shot defeat sustained by A. T. Dallah at the hands of M. N. Rakusen, the singles champion of the Colony.

While Dallah's men were rather weak and he, himself, was off his game, Rakusen played like the champion that he is, turning many an adverse position to his own advantage. He was given good support by his front men, Vic Ebbage being to the fore.

Minu led Harry Strange all the way and his task was made easier by the fact that the latter was unwell and the bowling sun did not make him feel any better. He had to take frequent rests and to leave the direction of the rink to his No. 2, J. F. MacGowan.

Deakin started well against M. R. Abbas and at one stage led by 12-2. In one of the early heads, Deakin played a lovely wood to snatch a count of five. He was lying only one but with his last wood he pushed the jack through a few inches to register a handful.

After ten Indian rinks improved considerably and scored 21 shots against their opponents' two singles.

AT King's Park, Recreio "A" beat Kowloon B.C.C. "B" comfortably on two rinks, but in the third A. P. Gutierrez lost to Joe Meyer by the narrowest possible margin.

On this rink, the game was very close all through and Meyer's good form just managed to swing the scales in the concluding heads.

IN the Second Division, both the League leaders, Kowloon F.C. and Kowloon Tong, won their matches, but by beating Club de Recreio 5-0, the former have forged ahead of Kowloon Tong, who dropped a point to Hongkong F.C. J. L. Stephens' rink going down by one shot to Walter Gill's.

The race between these two clubs for the right to play in the First Division next year should be one of the highlights of the concluding stages of the League programme. The Footballers now have the advantage of one point!

IN the Third Division, Kowloon B.C.C. seem fairly safe for the championship. From the same number of matches played, they are 6½ points ahead of the Indians. The only Club that has any chance of catching up with them is the Police with three matches in hand, the guardians of the peace are 12½ points behind.

The Police juniors are playing well together these days and if they can

Basketball

Chinese Y.M.C.A. Narrowly Beat National University

Chinese Y.M.C.A. narrowly beat the National University, 35-29, in yesterday's two-game league basketball card, in the opener of which South China, as expected, had an easy victory over the Trojans, 61-13.

The second was by far the better of the two games, the University and the Y.M.C.A. fielding evenly matched sides, but that between South China and Trojans was much too one-sided to be of interest. Outstanding for South China were Ng Shun-chiu (10), Chung Ling (10), Shek Chun-tat (12), Yip Ching-ke (12). High scorers for Trojans were H. O. Gurnand (7) and Poon Kwong-yin (4).

Fine Game
The other match was the highlight of the evening. Each team had their turn to score respectively and up to the end of the first half it was anybody's game, the scores being 18-17 in favour of University.

National started with two successive goals but this was short-lived when their opponents equalised. University went on to lead 10-6 but Y.M.C.A. soon caught up.

The second half saw Yarsity again start with two goals, leaving Y.M.C.A. four behind. After this it was a ding-dong battle, each team taking every opportunity to score.

When the score reached 20-27 in favour of Y.M.C.A. broke through the then exhausted Yarsity guards time and again until the score was 33-26. The game ended with the winners playing for time.

National University		G	FG	Pts
Chan Sun-kau	.....	2	2	12
Chan Suk-luk	.....	1	1	4
Yu Suk-yum	.....	1	1	4
Yip Fui-lung	.....	1	1	2
Yu Sui-lung	.....	1	1	2
Chinese Y.M.C.A.	.....	13	3	29

Chinese Y.M.C.A.		G	FG	Pts
Pan Kwok-ting	.....	1	1	2
Chan Wah-hei	.....	1	1	2
Mi Fuk-kee	.....	1	1	2
Wong Wai-heung	.....	1	1	2
Chung Kai-yu	.....	1	1	2
Luk Tak-cheung	.....	1	1	2
So Pak-lei	.....	1	1	2
Chinese Y.M.C.A.	.....	10	5	33

keep their rinks intact, they have a very good chance of overhauling the Bowling Green. So far they have lost only two matches—both against the Indians.

CONTRARY to expectations, the quarter-final matches in the Open Rinks Championship played on Sunday were very close affairs.

In fact, one rink, J. Shepherd's, can consider themselves lucky to be still in the competition. W. J. Burling, skipping the only Civil Service rink left in the tournament, missed a glorious opportunity of getting into the penultimate round when, with his last wood, he went wide and heavy.

And in the extra head, Shepherd obtained a single.

The Omar brothers and B. W. Bradbury too were thought to have an easy passage into the quarter-finals against A. Hyde-Lay's rink, but they found the opposition on top of their game and they had to go all out to win by a single shot.

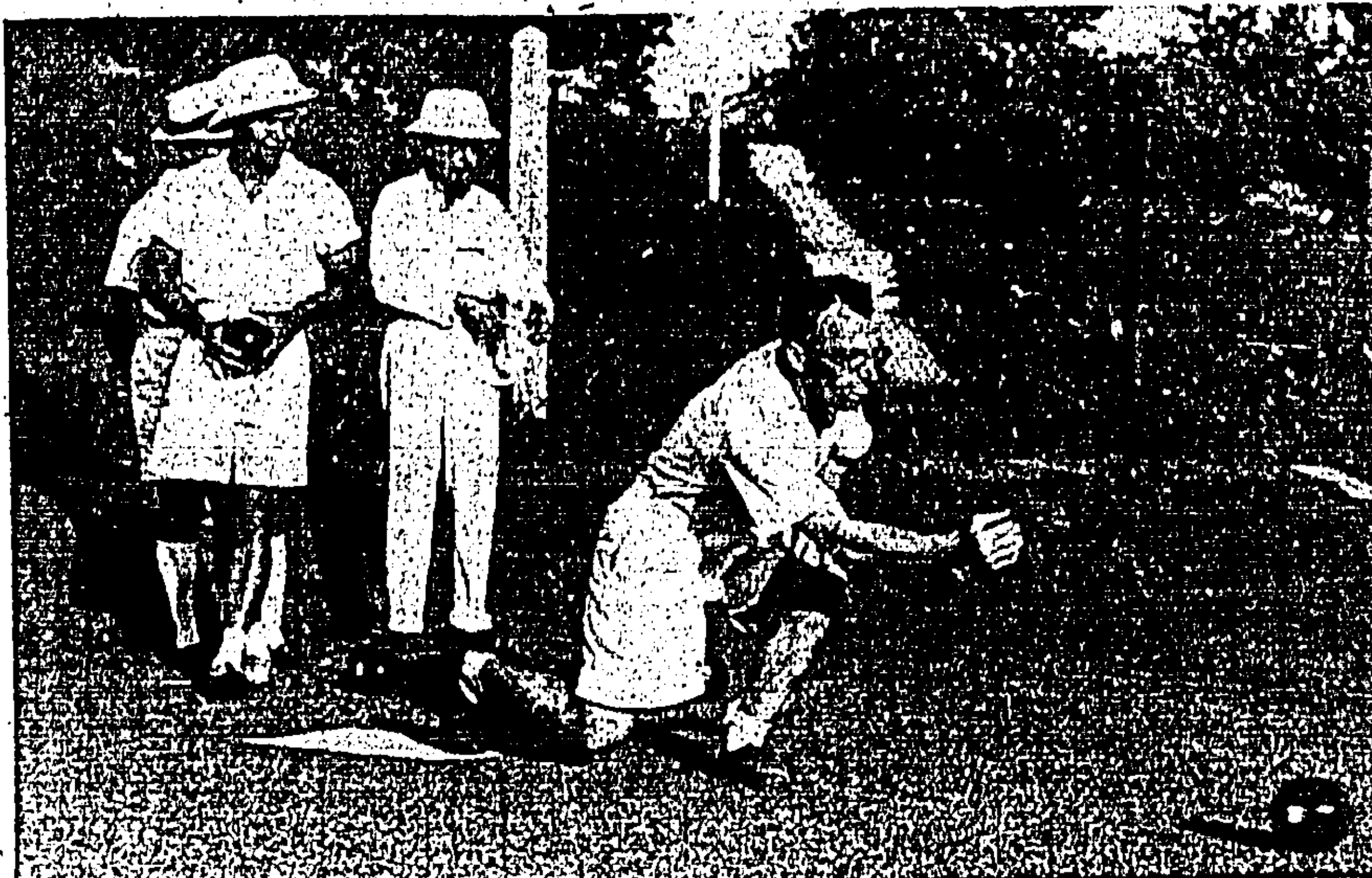
A. J. Hall's strong Kowloon B.C.C. rink, which put out one of the strongest Recreio rinks in the previous round with great ease, met another Recreio four led by Doc Gutierrez.

The opposition on this occasion seemed to be weaker on paper, but as so often happens, this turned out to be untrue in the actual play. In fact the Portuguese rink played so well that the issue was in doubt up to the last head.

The remaining match, played at Civil Service, resulted in a win by the rink led by M. R. Abbas over Tommy Pile's four by five shots. The game was very even at the start, but the L.C.C. men shot away into the lead in the middle stages and never looked back.

IT is understood that the quarter-final match between the rinks skipped by U. M. Omar and C. S. Rozelle will be played on Sunday on the Kowloon F.C. green, starting at 4.30 p.m. This promises to be one of the best matches in the competition.

U. M. Omar's rink have had no luck in the draw so far, having had strong opposition in every round if they win the championship, all bowlers will agree that they will have fully deserved the honour.



L. Sykes, A. J. Hall's fine No. 1, bowling in the Rink quarter-final game at the Kowloon Cricket Club. Standing behind are H. R. Pinna, A. M. Xavier and B. Basto.—Ming Yuen.

Quadrangular Gala At "Y" On August 21

At a meeting of the European Y.M.C.A. Swimming Committee yesterday, it was decided to hold an invitation quadrangular swimming contest on August 21, at 9 p.m. when Y.M.C.A. will be host to Royal Scots, Middlesex and Combined Small Units including Signals.

Following is the programme:
50 yards
Six-men medley team race (two backstroke, two breast-stroke, two free-style). Six-men 50 yards each relay.
Diving—One plain, one fancy, from each board (one diver).
Punching (individual)—one plunge.
Officers 50 yards relay.
Women's 200 yards invitation relay (Victoria Recreation Club, Lal Teun, Chinese Bathing Club, South China).
Women's 100 yards invitation medley relay (same teams as in free-style relay).
60 yards obstacle race.
Water-polo (two selected teams from the four competing teams).

Return Engagement
On the question of a return meeting with the Lal Teun Swimming Union it was decided to reserve a date in the middle of September as Volunteer and Service manning, and Y.M.C.A. and Colony championships will occupy the next four weeks.

Discussing the water-polo tournament, in which 115 games have been played, and 67 are outstanding, it was decided that at the conclusion a Knock-out Tournament for probably eight teams be held.

The European Y.M.C.A. championships will take place this month. Entries close at 5 p.m. on August 10.

Hongkong F.C. Bowls Rinks

The following players have been chosen to represent the Hongkong F.C. in league bowls matches on Saturday:

2nd Div. v. Prison O.C. (home)—A. B. Coleman, J. D. Thomson, J. A. R. Seely and W. G. G. Watson. Golling, C. Needham and W. Macfarlane; R. P. Shaw, C. B. Robertson, A. Brooksbank and K. S. Robertson.

Friendly v. Kowloon C.C. (home)—T. H. Pearce, D. I. Blackford, G. E. Stephens and B. A. Mansell; C. Carr, A. K. Farrow and G. S. Graver. A. Bailey, J. Russell, S. Strange and J. Ralston.



SAW—SEE?

"Hahn before seven, shepherd's pie by eleven—old saw, Hawkins."

"I see, Sir. Old saw, Sir."

"And here is a new saw, Hawkins. Roe's before bed, no ache in the head."

"Very clever, Sir. Very apt indeed. You should send it to some of those advertising people. I understand they pay very handsomely for such—er—slogans."

"Yes, Hawkins. I believe I have a sort of flair for that sort of thing. It just comes to me in my bath."

"Indeed, Sir."

"And I would like to go even further. The praise of Roe's Lime Juice should be blazoned forth in letters of gold in all night clubs, cocktail bars, and other premises licensed and unlicensed where the lads of the village do mostly congregate."

"I gather, Sir, that Roe's Lime Juice was not lacking at last night's gathering?"

"What an uncanny faculty you possess, Hawkins, for the ocular penetration of back walls!"

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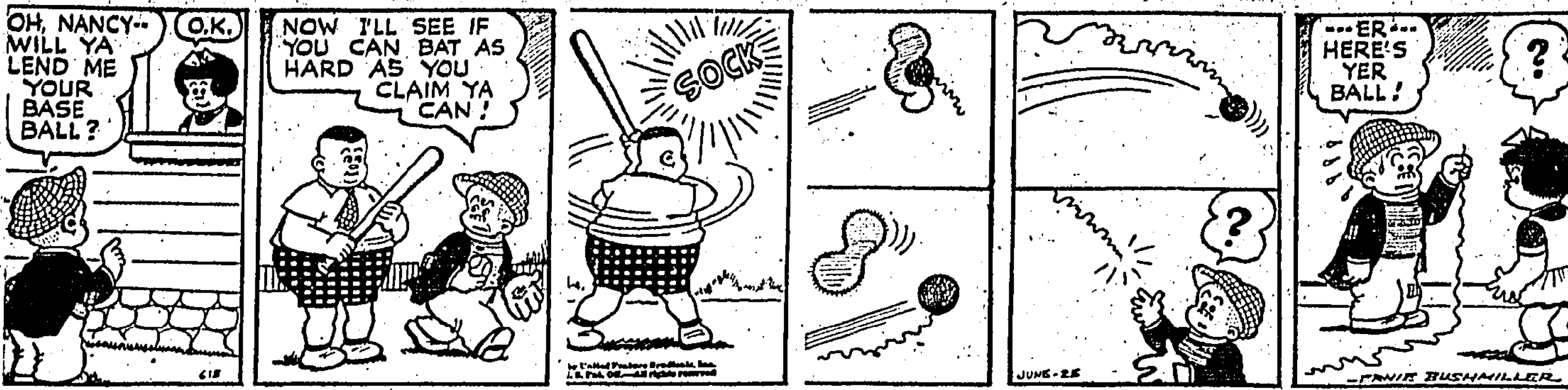
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British Condemn Vichy Subservience To Nazi

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The following official comment was made in London today on Marshal Petain's broadcast: "Marshal Petain's speech betrays in unmistakable terms the utmost anxiety on the part of the Vichy Government in regard to the internal condition of France."

"The long and abject record of dishonour and surrender of this government has beyond any doubt reduced its prestige and popularity with the French people to the vanishing point and has brought about a state of affairs in which the people are turning with growing hope towards Britain and the Allies and ardently desire an Allied victory."

"The Government have accordingly taken to themselves the widest dictatorial powers and have placed those powers in the hands of Admiral Darlan who will thus be placed in the strongest possible position to force upon the French people those measures of further surrender and further collaboration with the Axis which he has in mind and which it would be otherwise impossible for him to foist upon his compatriots."

Initiation of Axis
"The form of government envisaged for France in Marshal Petain's speech is not only designed for the purpose of subjugating and silencing the French people and enforcing upon them a policy which they detest. It is also designed with a view to initiating those forms of government which already obtain in Germany and Italy, thereby underlining the determination of the Vichy Government to ally itself more closely than ever with the Axis."

"The fate of such a form of government, lacking any measure of spontaneous and popular support in the country upon which it is imposed, is not likely to be a happy one."

Propaganda
LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—German fear of propaganda in France is shown by the manner in which the Vichy correspondent of the official German news agency refers to the decisions announced in the Petain broadcast last night.

Referring to the establishment of a new general secretariat for Information and Propaganda, the correspondent says: "This is regarded in well-informed circles as an instrument for putting an end to every form of private propaganda activity. All further information services in the country will be directed by the Government. Dislocation of organizations which have hitherto carried on private propaganda activity by circulating leaflets and other material is part of the action taken by the government to suppress such propaganda centres."

British Warn Trans-Shippers

LONDON, Aug. 13 (British Wire-Press).—The Ministry of Economic Warfare give notice that "any vessel carrying goods destined for export for transshipment to or from enemy ships in South American ports will be liable to be placed on the Ship's Statutory List."

This order is complementary to the order of June 14 which provided that ships carrying goods for export for transshipment to or from enemy ships in South American ports were liable to be placed on the statutory list.

The placing of a ship on this list means that it is regarded as an enemy ship with which no British trader may have any dealings and that it is liable to seizure as a prize.

Defences Of Burma Are Prepared

RANGOON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—As gathering war clouds frown on Burma's neighbours, the Burmese people are grimly and methodically making preparations to resist any attack on their country.

"If the lives and happiness of 16,000,000 people are to be jeopardised by lust for power, we will defend ourselves to the last man, and we are not alone," is the answer of the ordinary Burmese to potential threats from abroad.

This great Buddhist country of pagodas and paddy lands has not known war for 63 years. Claiming religious kinship with other countries in the Far East, she realises that even religion would be endangered if her frontiers were violated by aggression.

Specious Propaganda
For many months Burma has had to endure specious propaganda broadcast by interested countries but it has evoked only derision. In Burmese eyes, those who break the law against killing and committing crimes against peaceful nations stand self-condemned. Burma's attitude was typically illustrated by scenes witnessed by the Governor, Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, on his recent tour when chiefs of the frontier tribes renewed their pledge to die for the cause of liberty.

Plattering Union Jacks and songs of martial valour were features of the enthusiastic welcome given to Sir Reginald. The tribes cheerfully accept black-out and other restrictions, and would, if required, furnish formidable guerrilla units.

STEEL HELMETS FOR DEFENDERS

LONDON, Aug. 13 (British Wire-Press).—Seven million steel helmets have been manufactured by the Ministry of Supply for the fighting services and civilian fire watchers. They are being turned out at a rate of nearly 500,000 per week, which means that there are enough for all the fighting services and civilian fire watchers.

American machines sent under the Lend Lease Act have been used in producing the helmets.

Little Enemy Air Activity Over U.K.

LONDON, Aug. 14 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communiqué to-night states: "This morning one or two enemy aircraft crossed the northeast coast and dropped bombs at points a short distance inland. No extensive damage was done but a small number of casualties have been reported."

"Elsewhere there was very little enemy activity and there are no reports of any bombs having been dropped."

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
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T.T. Shanghai	4/5
T.T. Singapore	62 1/2
T.T. Japan	102 1/2 n.
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	40 1/2
T.T. Batavia	40 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	149 1/2
T.T. Saigon	100
T.T. France	105
T.T. Switzerland	105
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/2

BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/2
4 m/s France	104 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	15 1/2

RUSSO-NAZI WAR FRONT SUMMARY

Threat To South

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—A military commentary by "Annalist" states that "no material change has taken place in Russia's far-flung battle front, but the situation in the Ukraine has admittedly deteriorated in the south. On all other sectors the grim struggle is continuing without any marked advantage for either side."

"The only other progress claimed by the Germans is to the north of Lake Peipus where unconfirmed reports allege that they have reached the Baltic Sea, thus cutting off communications with Tallinn."

"If true, this would mean that an important pocket of resistance was in being on their left flank and would constitute a threat to their communications."

Tallinn And Hangö
Tallinn itself is well defended and with Hangö on the opposite side of the Gulf of Kronstadt gives the Russians complete command of those narrow waters. If Tallinn fell the position of Hangö would also be seriously compromised.

"There has been no change around Murmansk in the north, or Kiev in the south, but the German drive to cut off Odessa and Nicolayev is making headway."

It is improbable, however that the Germans have switched their main offensive in this direction. It is thought that they might be trying to curb Russian reinforcements in this direction while they renew their real offensive against Moscow.

Black Sea Control

"The Russians have probably not very large numbers of troops in this region because while they hold control of the Black Sea there would seem to be little likely prospect of the Germans pushing their advance too far east."

"Odessa is believed to be well fortified, especially from the sea and the Russian Fleet is in supreme control of the Black Sea."

"To sum up, the threat to Odessa seems closer to-day, but it should be realised that the German objectives were not Odessa but Moscow, Leningrad and Kiev."

Visit To Wounded In Russian Hospital

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent)

MOSCOW, Aug. 13.—The grimness of war was brought home to me by a visit to one of Moscow's hospitals this morning. It was not one of the biggest but a school building which has been transformed into a hospital where the wounded are moved after operation and before convalescence.

Blitzed Moscow is not considered a healthy spot for wounded and only the most severe cases requiring specialist handling are brought here. It was a cheering thought that even this improvised hospital was able to give such excellent care to the wounded.

This hospital is specialising in some of the saddest cases of all—face, jaw and eye injuries. It was spotlessly clean and bright with children's water colours still in the walls. The medical staff were clearly most efficient and the head doctor explained as he took me through the sterilising, X-ray, washing, operating and dressing rooms—work here was in full progress—all in the most modern methods.

Vitamin Treatment

He stressed in particular the vitamin treatment used in connection with wound-dressing and plastic surgery, which is one of the most important aspects of the work of this hospital. The doctor explained how with bones and tissues from dead people it was possible to eliminate some of the hideous gaping disfigurements that I saw under treatment. No longer is it essential to graft from the patient himself.

Most of the patients were too ill to talk but one stocky young fellow from the Ukraine with a swollen jaw heavily bandaged and his speech thick told me his experiences. He was 27 and before entering the Red Army year ago had been training as a builder.

Incident In A War

"Our platoon," he said, "received an order to occupy the village of Demidovka, near Smolensk. As we were moving along the country road, we met two village women who told us that the Germans had just occupied it. They said that they had just left and that the Germans were having lunch. Our officer decided to attack right away. We made our way along the edge of the wood, surprised the Germans and drove them out, inflicting heavy losses. They fled, leaving dozens of cars and cycles behind them."

"We built an entrenchment round the village and also occupied a further stretch of road."

Captured
The wounded man went on to explain how as darkness fell, heavy shelling of the village began and he was wounded in the thigh by a shell-splinter. He was ordered back to the village but first tried to find a relief to take his post.

"Somehow I got separated from my party and my mind was not very clear, so I lay down in a wood half conscious. Suddenly I felt a hard kick and looked up to see an officer and two soldiers. The officer in broken Russian ordered me to get up, but I was too weak, so the soldiers raised me to my feet. The officer asked me questions about the Russian troops but I did not reply and was got more and more irritated, and then judging by his tone began swearing in his own language."

Point Blank Range

"He hit me in the face with his fist, knocking me down and then

with a rifle shot at me at point-blank range. The first bullet merely stunned me as it ricocheted from my tin hat, but the second went through my temple and face, coming out of the lower jaw, smashing my teeth and pulping my tongue."

They left him there for dead. The rest of his story told how surprisingly in spite of loss of blood he did not lose consciousness and next day his comrades, retaking the position, found him and he was sent to the base in a hospital train.

Duff Cooper Calls On Mr Hull

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Mr A. Duff-Cooper, who is on his way to the Far East to co-ordinate British administration in the Far East, conferred with Mr Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, to-day.

Later in an interview, he said that Britain was eager to collaborate with the United States on parallel lines throughout the world. The only comment he would make on Far East tension was that the British felt that Japan could not be allowed entirely to have her own way in the Pacific.

Domestic Ceremony

Mr Duff-Cooper had earlier attended a ceremony at which representatives of the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand formally exchanged ratification of treaties designed for the advancement of peace. The treaties replace the treaty with the British Empire of 1914. They provide separate commissions for the settlement of disputes instead of one commission of the United States and Britain. Though negotiated last year, the treaties had not previously been formally ratified.

Anxious To Collaborate

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (UP).—Mr Duff Cooper stated to-day, "Great Britain is anxious to collaborate and proceed along parallel lines with the United States in all parts of the world."

Questioned as to whether Russia will be influential in the Far Eastern situation, Mr Duff Cooper replied, "Russia has always been a great help in the world situation of which the Far East is a part."

Ultimatum Report Denied In London

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Aug. 13. (UP).—Authoritative quarters to-day denied the Daily Mail's Melbourne report that Britain and the United States had virtually sent an ultimatum to Japan demanding a showdown on the question as to whether or not Japan agreed to forego her policy of expansion to the southward.

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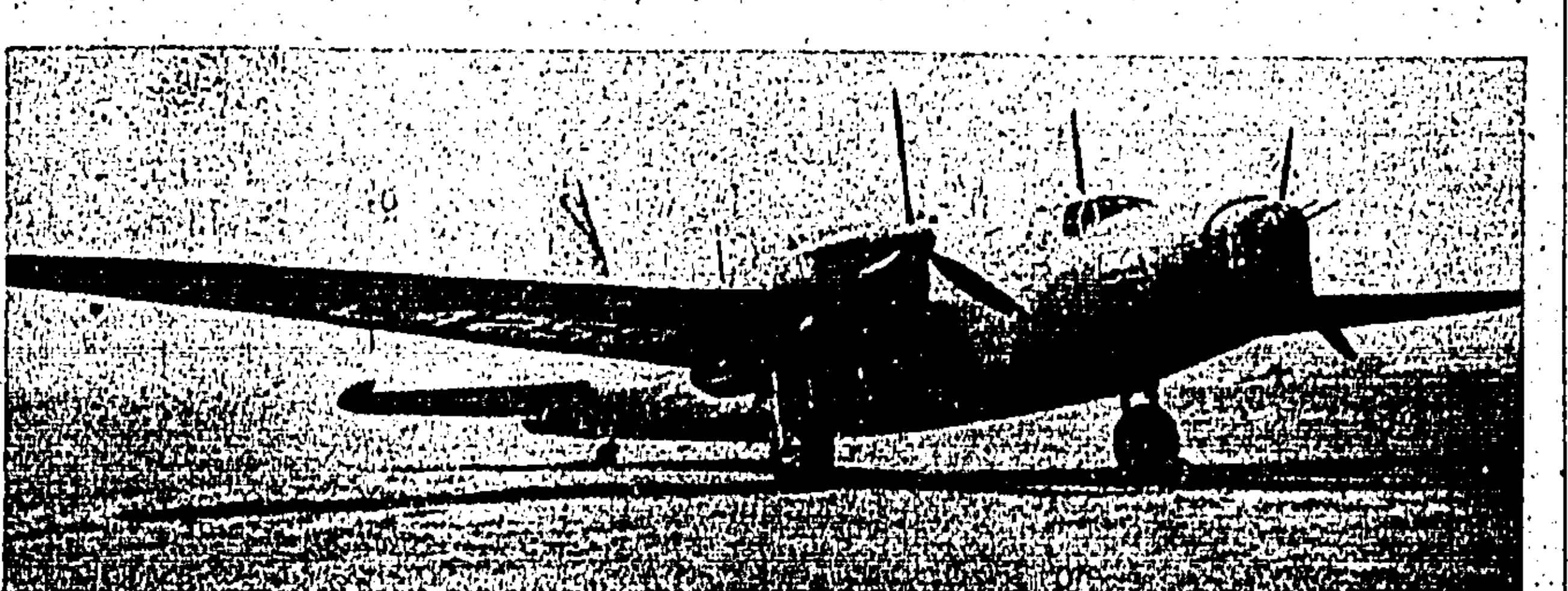
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U.S. Warplanes May Defend Hongkong

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shock of tumbled sandy hair. Muddy shoes and burrs on his socks suggested a strenuous day in the open with his troops.

Liked Him Instantly
I liked him instantly. And so does everyone I've talked to about him—especially military men. He's a man's man, a soldier's soldier, who isn't afraid to dirty his hands. A man to inspire confidence, and the man necessary to counterbalance civilian Hongkong's ostrichism.

I asked him what he thought of Hongkong, and her chances if war came to her doorstep. A military man, he answered in military terms: "Hongkong has the greatest concentration of guns in the British Empire—of all types, from the biggest of large-calibre coastal defence guns to high-altitude anti-aircraft guns. And from what I've seen during my rounds of inspections, I can say that I am more than satisfied with the degree of efficiency training and accuracy of fire of the gunners in their practice shoots. More than pleased, too, with the men themselves, who are mostly seasoned troops of extraordinary high morale. 'I'm confident,' he concluded, 'that we'll put up a jolly good show, come what may.'

Two Important Weapons
Well, in my opinion, blitzkrieg war has proven the value of two important weapons—the tank and the warplane. For Hongkong, the principal part of which is built on a comparatively small island of steeply sloping hills, the tank is immediately ruled out. But with Japanese aerodromes in occupied Chinese territory only minutes' distant by air, the threat of an air-blitz, here, should the "balloon" go up, is a grim one indeed.

Apparently, Hongkong has no air force stationed here to meet this threat. The Japanese, however, are suspicious of this. All signs here point clearly to a British determination to defend this place strongly—threat or no threat of Japanese blitzkrieging planes.

In Singapore some weeks ago, Air Vice-Marshal Pulford, Commanding the R.A.F. in the Far East, commented on Britain's air power in Malaya. Said he:

"Do not imagine the air force here is solely for the defence of Singapore. In the last year or so we have completed a chain of military aerodromes that stretch to the northern frontiers of Malaya; and in Burma, to the frontiers of China."

Japanese May Get Surprise
Now, I have a pretty good idea that in the last few months literally hundreds of American warplanes—Lend-Lease stuff—have been pouring into Malaya and Burma, and mysteriously disappearing up country. And a haunting suspicion must be beginning to form in the minds of envious Japanese across Hongkong's borders that should they attempt an air-blitz here, squadrons of these American warplanes may suddenly appear at their backs—operating from "Somewhere in Free China," streaming in along a dotted line of secret air bases reaching all the way back to Burma and Singapore.

Hongkong, it is said, no longer be the isolated outpost of Britain in the Far East. And perhaps the growing defensive strength of Britain at Singapore has by now reached proportions where its defensive sphere of influence has already been extended to include Hongkong. I now return you to NBC.

DEPRIVED OF LIVELIHOOD

Pleading that the Cholera Regulations had deprived them to their former means of livelihood of collecting coconuts and mussels from the sea and that they were forced to dredge for coal from the sea bed, Chan Pat, 36, and Chan Nga, 30, both fishermen, were fined \$7 or in default seven days' hard labour by Lt Comdr J. Jolly at Marine Court this morning.

Sgt Stewart said that Defendants used grappling irons to lift coal and other articles from the sea bed at Wanchai Bay yesterday. First Defendant had 85 lbs of coal in his sampan, and second Defendant had about 130 lbs.

ANOTHER \$5,000 FROM 'BLOW-INS'

Another cheque for \$5,000 has been sent to the Bomber Fund from the Fellowship of the Bellows, thus bringing the total subscribed to date to \$35,000.

The Receiver of Windfalls informs us that the "Blow-ins" for July have not been as promptly remitted as in previous months, but this he attributes to the effect of the hot spell. He requests us to express the hope that the weather will not be permitted to interfere with the activity of members.

Incidentally, this latest windfall for the Bomber Fund brings the total to within only \$14,000 of the \$50,000 mark.

SPANISH ENVOY TO NANKING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SHANGHAI, Aug. 13 (UP).—Wang Ching-wei's "Central Press" reports from Nanking that the Spanish Government has decided to appoint Senor Alvaro de Maldonado, former Spanish Consul General at Manila as Minister to Nanking.

Gib. Plane Crash

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ROME, Aug. 13 (UP).—A dispatch from Tangier to the "Globe d'Italia" states that an American war plane which was incorporated in the British air force crashed into the sea while on a training flight over Gibraltar. All members of the crew were killed.

Head Of President Lines Due

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HONOLULU, Aug. 13 (UP).—Dr Henry Grady, President of the American President Lines arrived by Clipper to-day en route to the Far East.

In an interview he stated that "keeping the flow of essential raw materials from the Far East for the national defence programme is my main objective but it also entails keeping these same materials from getting into the hands of nations that we do not want to see get such materials."

He said that he would study the repercussions of the export control act on the Philippines and then go to the Dutch East Indies, British Malaya, Burma, India, Ceylon, Singapore and Hongkong.

Sarajoglu Dines With British Ambassador

ANKARA, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—Sir Hugh Knatchbull Hugessen, British Ambassador to Turkey, entertained M. Sarajoglu, Foreign Minister, and four other Cabinet Ministers on Wednesday.

Satisfaction
ANKARA, Aug. 13 (UP).—The Foreign Minister, M. Sarajoglu, to-day expressed to the British and Russian Ambassadors Turkey's greatest satisfaction over the policies presented yesterday and agreed that they were a very important development. Informed circles regarded the Russian and British notes as definite proof of the alignment of British and Russian political as well as military policies.

LATE NEWS

Democracies Debating Big Issues

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Aug. 14 (UP).—A clear division between the Axis and Democratic worlds is regarded as imminent in informed neutral circles as a result of consultations under way.

The solution of the mystery of whether President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill have been conferring may be announced in Mr. Attlee's broadcast on Thursday which will deal with matters of the highest importance to Britain and other nations.

While Germany and her Allies pounded the Ukraine, Axis diplomats and their colleagues elsewhere appeared to mark time pending developments which would reveal how the world would expect to shape its policy henceforward. Vichy new lurch toward totalitarian ways of thinking, with the implications it carried of further concessions to come, added urgency to Anglo-American efforts to solidify the united front of Powers willing to resist the Axis, and to work out something to offer the world in the future.

The current discussions presumably embrace all continents, centering on obvious danger spots like Thailand, the Amur border, Tunis and Dakar and touching on questions like which is more directly England's than Russia's concern.

Convincing aid for Russia is naturally on the agenda.

Viewed from London, the Far Eastern crisis seems to have lost some of its urgency during the last few days, probably because Tokyo is not sure just what the West is about to produce from up its sleeve.

The Russian situation is accentuated by the Ukraine drive which threatens from the ground and air, some of the biggest Soviet industrial plants.

So far as neutrals here are aware, Vichy has not agreed to any concessions in Africa.

**Dutch Exempted
From Freezing**
TOKYO, Aug. 14 (Reuter).—Simultaneously exempting the Dutch diplomatic and consular officials from the freezing regulations, the Finance Ministry to-day is gazetizing the addition of Uganda and Kenya to the list of designated nations and territories subject to freezing.

COUNTER-ATTACK BY SOVIET

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division tried to outflank the Russians. The counter-attacks began in the course of three days killed or wounded 7,500 Germans, captured 15 tanks, 27 cannons and much other material.

Estonia Fighting

According to a Helsinki report, 100,000 Russians are now fighting in northern Estonia, but are being hampered by tens of thousands of civil refugees, including men, women and children. The refugees are mostly Communists from other Baltic countries and are homeless. They are reported to be constituting a great handicap to the fighting Soviet troops and are a heavy drain as far as supplies are concerned.

Well informed circles believe that the fall of Tallinn is now imminent as a great many refugees are impeding military operations.

"Nothing Important"

(By "REUTERS" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Aug. 14.—Nothing important occurred "on the war fronts, to-day," was the reply given by the Soviet military headquarters in Moscow to-day to German claims of a sweeping advance in the Ukraine. It would be absurd for the Russians to use such phrases if something very important had happened and the absence of new place names in to-day's Soviet communiqué is a clear indication, in view of past Soviet practice, that there has been no advance by the main German forces.

Grain Stocks

This does not mean that advance German units may not again have ventured to push ahead, possibly towards Nikolayev, the Black Sea port 70 miles northeast of Odessa, whose gigantic silos doubtless conjure up for the Germans visions of vast grain stocks.

Actually there is every reason to suppose that in accordance with M. Stalin's policy, the Russians would move this grain inland if Nikolayev were seriously threatened, which is not yet the case. At all events, should a strategic retreat be necessary, the Russians can afford, after the harvest has been gathered, to abandon part of the Ukrainian farmland and may be expected to take up strong positions inside the bend of the Dnieper which from an industrial point, it would be very important to preserve.

Slaughter Goes On

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 13 (Reuter).—The Russian armies are not yet out of the grip of although months ago Berlin declared that organized Soviet military formations no longer existed, that the roads to Leningrad, Moscow and Kiev were open, and that huge breaches had been made in the Stalin line," writes the newspaper "Handelstings" to-day.

"Fighting is still going on in the same areas several weeks after this assertion was made. When the attacker reached the former Russian frontier he was met by a living wall of Russians and a massed army. At present this wall the Germans have broken through in places where they were broken into bloody scraps of humanity against the Soviet breakthrough. No sign of the end of the slaughter is yet in view."

Bulgars Go Front

MOSCOW, Aug. 13 (UP).—The press to-day gave prominence to a dispatch from Berlin reporting that German demands have been made on Bulgaria to send two "reliable" divisions to the eastern front.

In order to avoid a formal declaration of war, the divisions will ostensibly consist of volunteers. The dispatch added that Bulgaria has not yet answered the request, trying to convince the Germans that they could assist better with foodstuffs while entry into the war against the Soviets might lead to internal disruption.

TWO HOUR RAID ON BERLIN

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dromes in Holland and docks at Le Havre were also attacked.

Fighter Command

"Fighter Command aircraft attacked an enemy aerodrome in occupied territory. "Aircraft of the Coastal Command on patrol off the Norwegian coast during the night attacked shipping, harbours and aerodromes."

Giving details of the raids on Germany, the Air Ministry stated that in almost all areas heavy cloud and bad weather were encountered. The badness of the weather kept the bombers over Berlin for a long time looking for targets. One of the worst barrages yet encountered faced them.

Berlin Off Air

LONDON, Aug. 13 (UP).—Radio Berlin went off the air at 10.45 p.m. to-night.

Japan Watchful And Waiting

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at present is apparently to obtain means for evacuating her nationals.

Why Japanese Delay

Some observers believe that the Japanese are delaying settlement of the shipping and de-freezing questions pending further study of the Anglo-American attitude—whether they are threatening merely additional short of war measures or the worst eventually.

It is not noteworthy that the special dispatches from London and Washington to the vernacular press emphasize that Britain and America will not take the initiative unless Japan moves.

Miss Santos, of No. 71B Wong Nai Chung Road, has reported that whilst she was walking along Nathan Road, near Hamilton Street, yesterday a person snatched her wrist watch.

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